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# WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session held at Seattle, Washington, April 3-7, 1901

## OFFICERS

W. A. SELLEW, President.

ALEXANDER BEERS, Secretary.

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## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, B. F. Smalley, A. N. West.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Education—C. W. Shay, W. W. Dexter, C. W. Tenney.

On Sunday-schools—E. H. Stayt, S. P. Hale, D. W. Jones.

On Reforms—B. F. Smalley, Wm. Boddy, C. E. McReynolds.

On State of the Work—B. F. Smalley, C. W. Tenney.

On Temperance—A. Beers, E. L. Smith, J. Wintermute, Wm. Gilmore.

To Nominate Trustees for Seattle Seminary—E. L. Smith.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—C. W. Shay, E. L. Smith.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

A. Beers, C. W. Shay, James Eva, C. E. McReynolds.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

B. F. Smalley, C. W. Tenney, E. L. Smith, W. W. Dexter.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Education—A. Beers.

On Publications—C. W. Shay.

On Sunday-schools—James Eva.

On Reforms—B. F. Smalley.

On Temperance—A. N. West.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

B. F. Smalley,  
E. L. Smith,  
S. P. Hale,  
J. S. Bradley,  
E. H. Stayt,

C. E. McReynolds,  
James Eva,  
J. M. Scott,  
William Boddy,  
S. A. Milton.

A. Beers,  
P. H. Griggs,  
C. S. McKinley,  
W. W. Dexter,

C. G. Slayton,  
A. N. West,  
C. W. Shay,  
Wallace Meacham,

### DELEGATES

C. W. Tenney,  
D. W. Jones,  
L. A. Butler,  
Sarah Moulden.

Collie Taylor,  
S. D. Densmore,  
Wm. Gilmore,

George Elder,  
T. C. Wilkenson,  
J. H. Harvey,

Kate Frost,  
J. Wintermute,  
Mrs. S. E. Grey,

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellew, B. F. Smalley, C. W. Tenney.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? J. Bradley, M. C. Clarke.

4. Who remain on trial? George Edwards.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

6. Who are the deacons? S. P. Hale, W. W. Dexter, C. N. Bertels, E. H. Stayt. Local deacons—J. T. Boddy, R. M. Reid, H. H. Pease, C. B. Carlton, John Spencer.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? C. W. Shay, Wm. Boddy, C. S. McKinley.

8. Who have located this year? C. G. Slayton at his own request.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? None.
10. Who are the supernuated preachers? J. M. Scott, J. S. Bradley.
11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? Wm. Boddy, from the California conference; S. A. Milton, from the South Dakota conference; J. S. Bradley, from the Oregon conference; W. C. Meacham, from the South Dakota conference.
12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing, etc? None.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. Who have died this year? None.
- 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23. See list of appointments and statistical reports.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? In Everett, Washington, as near the second Wednesday in April, 1902, as is consistent with the plans of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Rev. W. A. Sellew and wife were with us in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ. Brother Sellew presided in a very able and courteous manner. His preaching was in the power of the Spirit. He preached a most impressive missionary sermon Saturday night after which an offering of about \$50 was taken. A spirit of harmony prevailed. The reports from the ministers showed a gain of a little over twenty per cent. for the year. All claims were met in full. A meeting in the interest of Seattle Seminary was held Sunday afternoon. C. W. Tenney, J. C. Norton and Wm. Copeland were elected trustees of Seattle Seminary.

A collection of twenty-five cents per member was ordered for home missions. The conference ordered the collections to be taken as follows:

First Quarter, Home Missions; second quarter, General Superintendents' salary; third quarter, Church Extension and General Missions; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants.

## APPOINTMENTS

### PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.—B. F. SMALLEY, District Elder

Seattle, First Church.....	A. Beers
Seattle, Second Church.....	C. E. McReynolds
Seattle, Third Church.....	A. N. West
Buckley and Lake Tapps.....	E. L. Smith
Tacoma and Parkland.....	Charles S. McKinley, John Bradley
Centralia.....	S. L. Helm, supply
Bay Center and South Bend, George Edwards; A. L. Teegarden, Harriet Teegarden, supplies	
Ballard.....	R. M. Reid, supply
Edmonds and Cedar Valley.....	W. W. Dexter
Everett.....	James Eva
Snohomish.....	Mary E. Bonner, supply
Mt. Vernon.....	S. P. Hale
Whatcom and Lynden.....	To be supplied
Arlington.....	W. C. Meacham
Blaine and Goodhope.....	Wm. Boddy



Pleasant Valley and Independence.....N. O. Moore, supply  
 P. H. Griggs, E. H. Stayt, S. M. Milton, evangelists; C. G. Slayton, granted certificate  
 of location; J. S. Bradley, J. M. Scott, superannuated; C. W. Shay, principal of Seattle  
 Seminary; M. C. Clarke, teacher in Seattle Seminary; C. N. Bertels, student in University  
 of California.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

## PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.											
Seattle First Church.....			\$ 31 14		\$ 460 32	\$ 44 50		1	\$ 3500	1	
Seattle Second Church (at Ross)....	\$ 7 03	\$5 46	71 50		489 30	90 00					
Seattle Third Church (at Green Lake) .....			36 36		264 59	42 82		1	600		
Tacoma and Parkland.....	37 50		12 11		219 00	27 35		2	1000	1	\$ 300
Everett .....			54 72	\$2 00	400 00	42 85	\$10 50	1	1000	1	500
Arlington and Granite Falls.....			42 16		332 50	32 50		1	1250	1	250
Buckley and Lake Tapps .....			25 19		300 00	30 00		1	800	1	500
Blaine.....			11 60		240 90	50 50	50 00	1	2000	1	400
Whatcom, Lynden and Nooksack..					64 34		4 00	1	500		
Snohomish and Monroe.....			19 21		64 46	21 20		1	1000	1	500
Edmonds.....			28 70		180 00	29 50		1	500		
Ballard.....			12 00			19 15	5 00				
Centralia .....			47 36		129 08	27 00	2 50	1	800		
South Bend and Bay Center.....			17 13		150 00	44 40		1	800	1	200
Total.....	\$34 53	\$5 46	\$409 18	\$2 00	\$3094 49	\$501 77	\$78 35	13	\$13750	8	\$2650

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

## PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society
PUGET SOUND DISTRICT.																		
	B. F. Smalley, District Elder.																	
Seattle First Church.....	A. N. West .....	30	9	39	3	1	1	8	37	10	\$ 9 28	\$ 5 22	\$ 7 25	\$ 4 35	\$2 90	.....	\$ 2 62	\$ 25 31
Seattle Second Church (at Ross) .....	C. E. McReynolds.....	85	6	91	6	2	1	11	133	20	23 10	13 86	18 00	11 55	7 70	.....	5 23	233 25
Seattle Third Church (at Green Lake).	Mrs M. C. Wheelon, supply.....	21	4	25	2	1	1	11	60	7	6 27	3 44	.....	2 85	1 90	.....	.....	104 80
Tacoma and Parkland.....	C. S. McKinley .....	22	14	36	..	1	5	30	2	6 00	3 60	3 60	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	47 45
Everett .....	James Eva.....	52	16	68	5	3	1	12	87	8	6 90	3 78	5 25	3 15	2 10	.....	2 70	43 77
Arlington and Granite Falls.....	E. L. Smith.....	18	..	18	1	1	8	42	7	6 90	4 14	5 75	3 45	2 80	.....	.....	3 60	19 05
Buckley and Lake Tapps .....	J. S. Bradley.....	16	3	19	..	2	12	45	7	6 93	3 78	5 25	3 15	2 10	.....	.....	65	34 20
Blaine .....	Wm. Boddy.....	32	6	38	..	1	6	35	6	7 20	4 35	6 00	3 60	2 40	.....	.....	.....	19 34
Whatcom, Lynden and Nooksack .....	P. H. Griggs.....	8	1	9	1	..	..	..	4	1 40	72	1 00	60	40	.....	.....	15 75	.....
Snohomish and Monroe .....	Mary E. Bonner.....	10	1	11	1	1	3	22	3	3 50	1 80	2 50	1 50	1 00	.....	.....	2 50	21 10
Edmonds.....	W. W. Dexter.....	17	3	20	..	2	10	85	4	4 80	2 88	4 00	2 40	1 60	.....	.....	.....	49 49
Ballard.....	R. M. Reed.....	6	6	12	..	1	5	40	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	138 16	.....
Centralia.....	S. L. Helm.....	30	6	36	1	1	10	55	5	8 40	5 04	7 00	4 20	2 80	.....	.....	25 05	7 16
South Bend and Bay Center.....	Geo. G. Edwards.....	13	1	14	1	1	4	18	6	4 20	2 52	3 25	2 10	1 40	.....	.....	.....	38 78
Total.....		380	76	456	18	10	15	105	689	91	\$94 88	\$55 13	\$50 25	\$42 90	\$34 10	.....	\$196 26	\$643 70



# CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Session, held at Corralitos, California,  
June 5-9, 1901

## OFFICERS

W. A. SELLEW, President.

G. W. GRIFFITH, Secretary.

SARAH J. LEE, Assistant Secretary.

M. L. WINEGARDEN, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellow, Wm. Pearce, M. L. Winegarden.

On Reforms—C. W. Welts, C. H. Loomis, Christina Olsen.

On Education—C. H. Loomis, F. H. Horton, Sarah J. Lee.

On Publications—G. W. Griffith, H. E. Burbank, Alma K. Pearce.

On State of the Work—Wm. Pearce, J. E. Cochran, Alma K. Pearce.

On Sunday-schools—M. L. Winegarden, Josephine Woolford, Jane Brown.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds for Publishing the Minutes—Wm. Pearce.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—F. H. Horton, C. H. Loomis.

On Ministerial Relations—Wm. Pearce, F. H. Horton, J. E. Cochran, H. E. Burbank, W. J. Call.

On Conference Claims and Claimants—W. A. Sellow, Wm. Pearce, M. L. Winegarden, Alma K. Pearce, H. E. Burbank.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

F. H. Horton, president; G. W. Griffith, secretary; M. L. Winegarden, treasurer; C. W. McRae, H. E. Burbank.

## CONFERENCE MISSIONARY BOARD

F. H. Horton, president; H. E. Burbank, secretary; G. W. Griffith, treasurer.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

F. H. Horton, president; G. W. Griffith, secretary; C. H. Loomis.

## CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Reforms—F. H. Horton.

On Education—M. L. Winegarden.

On Publications—C. H. Loomis.

On State of the Work—G. W. Griffith.

On Sunday-schools—J. E. Cochran.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Conference Missions (35 cents); second quarter, General Missions (15 cents), General Superintendents (—); third quarter, Conference Claimants (—); fourth quarter, Church Extension (10 cents); Foreign Missions.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

E. P. Hart,  
C. H. Loomis,

F. H. Horton,  
J. E. Cochran,

Wm. Pearce,  
G. W. Griffith,

M. L. Winegarden,  
W. D. Bishop.

### DELEGATES

John Meador,  
Sarah J. Lee,  
T. Collister,

H. E. Burbank,  
W. J. Call,  
B. E. Lane.

Alma K. Pearce, Christina Olson,  
Josephine Woolford, Jane Brown,

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellew, Wm. Pearce, H. E. Burbank.
4. Who remain on trial? C. V. Carpenter, W. C. Graves.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? W. D. Bishop.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? F. H. Horton.
12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? H. H. Farnham, withdrawn from the conference and church. C. W. Welts, withdrawn from the conference and church with certificate of character.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? Wm. Pearce.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$410.00.
25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? G. W. Griffith, W. C. Graves, J. E. Cochran, A. V. Stewart and H. E. Burbank were appointed a committee to locate the place, and, in conjunction with the presiding superintendent, the time, of holding the next session.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The nineteenth annual session of the California conference was held at Corralitos, California, June 5-9, 1901, General Superintendent W. A. Sellew, presiding. Four sittings were held. The session was harmonious and spiritual. Brother Sellew greatly endeared himself to the hearts of the people by his powerful exhortations, and pointed, practical and deeply spiritual sermons. He preached four times, Wm. Pearce twice, A. Beers twice and G. W. Griffith and J. E. Cochran once each. Rev. A. Beers and wife of Seattle were present and conducted an educational meeting on Saturday afternoon. About fifty subscriptions were secured, pledging one dollar a year for ten years, to create a fund for the education of ministers' children.

H. E. Burbank was ordained a local deacon on Sabbath morning.

Great credit is due the pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Winegarden, the members of the society, and the friends of the community for the excellent manner in which the conference was entertained.

The annual business meeting of the W. F. M. S. was held Friday afternoon. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: President, May E. Griffith; vice president, Mattie K. Horton; secretary, Carrie M. Carpenter; corresponding secretary, Minerva E. Kelley; treasurer, Ina M. Baird.

## APPOINTMENTS

**SAN JOSE DISTRICT.**—G. W. GRIFFITH, District Elder, Alameda, California.

Alameda.....	L. Gleen Lewis, supply, 1414 Park Ave., Alameda, California
San Jose and Santa Clara.....	J. E. Cochran, 112 N. 9th St., San Jose.
Corralitos.....	M. L. Winegarden, Corralitos.
Gilroy and Paradise Valley.....	To be supplied
Santa Rosa.....	" "
Pacheco.....	" "
Brentwood.....	" "

E. P. Hart, general superintendent; F. H. Horton, superannuated; W. D. Bishop, supernumerary; Wm. Pearce, given a certificate of good standing with a view to transfer; C. W. Welts, granted a certificate of withdrawal from the conference and the church.

**IONE DISTRICT.**—G. W. GRIFFITH, District Elder.

Ione and Mt. Echo.....	W. C. Graves, Ione, California
Plymouth.....	E. Hadix, supply, Plymouth.



Sutter Creek.....	H. W. Dobbins, supply, Sutter Creek, California
Cosumnes.....	H. Bowman, supply, Cosumnes, "
Oakdale.....	C. H. Loomis, Oakdale, "
Chico and Dayton.....	C. V. Carpenter, Chico, "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

Your committee on publications respectfully submit the following report: It is not very hard for the most of us to "give attendance to reading." In these days the question is not so much, "Shall I read," but rather, "What shall I read?"

Rationalism is the spirit of the age, and pervades modern literature to an alarming extent. Tennyson was more of a prophet than he knew when he wrote, "For these are the new dark ages, you see, of the popular press." Rationalism is the expression of doubt, and fatalism is rationalism ultimated. It is sad to find that so few of the great popular authors are safe to follow by one who would attain to the highest and best mental, moral and spiritual culture. Shelley, the English poet, once walked into an inn and wrote his name in the visitors' book, adding, as though it were a title of glory, "democrat, philanthropist, atheist!" George Eliot while yet a young woman passed out of the warm faith of evangelical Christianity to the cold embrace of rationalism. Of the three great cardinal truths: God, immortality and duty, she declared the first inconceivable, the second unbelievable, and the third peremptory and absolute as of inevitable fate. Carlyle was openly and avowedly sceptical, while Emerson veiled his agnosticism in subtle and insidious phrases.

Zola, the French novelist, for whose books there has been such a demand that enough have been printed to make a pile as high as Eiffel's Tower, has written a book called "The Human Beast." The last chapter is a picture of a railroad train, loaded with soldiers, rushing into the blackness of midnight, with the engineer sitting at the throttle, dead. The interpretation is simple. The track is fate; the world is the train; we are the freight; death is the midnight gloom; God is the engineer; and—he is dead! And so Tennyson describes the soliloquy of one who has parted company with faith, in the following words:

"O we poor orphans of nothing—alone on that lonely shore—

Born of the brainless nature who knew not that which she bore!

Trusting no longer that earthly would be heavenly fruit—

Come from the brute, poor souls—no souls—and to die with the brute

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Why should we bear with an hour of torture, a moment of pain,

If every man die for ever, if all his griefs are in vain;

And the homeless planet at length will be wheel'd thro' the silence of space,

Motherless evermore of an ever vanishing race,

When the worm shall have writhed its last, and its last brother-worm will have fled

From the dead fossil skull of an earth that is dead?"

Again we repeat, rationalism is the expression of doubt, and fatalism is rationalism ultimated. These are the legitimate results of the teaching that man is coordinate with nature, and a product of the past. "If we are to regard our ancestors as being descendants of tailless apes, and they of finless amphibians, and they of ciliated larvae, and they of senseless monerons, and they of God only knows what," what else can be expected than that men will be shut up to the inexorableness of fate? Repudiate divine sovereignty and chain the freedom of the will at the forge of evolutionism, and the legitimate product will be a creature or thing who regards himself as a material atom, exalted by mentality above the brutes around him, running in a groove which he cannot alter, and whose end will be, he knows not what.

Hence with this dangerous and deadly microbe lurking in so much of the literature of the day the question is again raised, What shall we read? Above all else—the Bible. It contains some of the finest descriptive passages found in the realm of literature, ancient or modern. Its simple pathos, pleasing metaphors, delightful imagery, and faithful delineation of human nature are an intellectual feast. And for its revelations of moral and spiritual truths which alone can bless and save humanity, the Bible is indispensable. It reveals our origin, nature, duty and destiny. It unfolds the character of God. Its pages scintillate with the rays of hope. It is inexhaustable in its depth of riches; a loadstone for the sinner; a guide-book for the pilgrim; and the bread of comfort for the afflicted. Read it! Study it! Feed upon it; revel in it; so shall we be filled with the spirit of wisdom and have an understanding in the things we need most to know.

Much may be learned by reading history, for history is but the finger marks of God in molding and fashioning the nations of clay in the fulfilment of the divine plan. To some there is nothing more fascinating or engrossing than history. We venture the opinion that if our young people were taught to read such books as John Lord's "Beacon Lights of

History" there would be less taste for much of the questionable literature of the day. Then there are scientific writers whose productions are instructive and reverent. We mention Hugh Miller, Winchell, Mitchell and Steele. Some say they have no taste for such reading—it is too heavy. Let the taste be acquired then, for very often we like what we choose to like. Then religious books must form a very important part of our reading. Their number is well nigh legion, but all are not conducive to correctness of doctrine and the consequent development of spiritual life. We do not regard such writers as Pierson, Meyer, Murray, etc., as safe for our people. While we do not question for a moment their piety, their teachings are not in harmony with our doctrines. We believe, "A Symposium on Holiness," "Holiness Teachings," "Fishers of Men" are excellent and should be read and studied by all. The field of religious biography is a fertile one, yielding abundant harvests of helpful thoughts to the tillers of its soil. We would name the "Life of Redfield" and of "B. T. Roberts." While the latter is well worth our reading we confess to a feeling of disappointment in regard to it. It does not seem to us to give its subject justice. We trust that the time will soon come when some one gifted with spiritual vision, and an analytical mind, will dip his pen in holy oil, and give to the church a biography worthy of the memory of that gifted man, a biography which will give us an analysis of B. T. Roberts as a man, a preacher, a leader, a reformer, and that will place his name in the gallery of history together with the Wesleys, Whitfield and Asbury.

Finally we come to the religious press. Whatever of good or bad there may be in other papers, we thank God for the *Free Methodist*. We note with intense satisfaction the increasing merit of the paper, both in subject matter and mechanical make-up. The ability of the special contributors of the last few months is of an unusually high order. The articles of E. P. Hart are thrilling in their interest and are a great source of blessing. The editorials are up to the usual high standard of excellence and worthy of their gifted and scholarly writer. We deplore exceedingly the non-committal policy of the paper with reference to prohibition. However strongly the editor may be opposed to the liquor traffic on general principles, the silence of the editorial voice the past two years on the prohibition question, is certainly indicative of the fact that the editor is not a third party prohibitionist at heart. With a clean, wholesome paper in the front rank of all legitimate reforms, we regret exceedingly this sign of weakness with reference to the greatest reform of all. The *Earnest Christian* is a helpful and spiritual monthly, worthy of the support of our people. Our Sunday-school supplies are excellent—the best published we believe.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

### SAN JOSE AND IONE DISTRICTS.

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
SAN JOSE DISTRICT											
Alameda.....		\$2 68	\$ 70 70	\$ 00	\$ 515 26	\$ 56 00		1	\$ 2000	1	\$2000
San Jose.....			33 00	\$5 00	435 40	52 40	\$ 5 00	1	1200	1	800
Santa Clara.....			16 42					1	1000	1	500
Corralitos.....	\$3 15	2 00	49 15		472 00	108 00	8 50	1	2500	1	2000
Gilroy and Paradise Valley.....			24 00		*168 97	30 57	4 05				
Santa Rosa.....			5 70			11 40	25 00				
Pacheco.....			\$ 00					1	400	1	200
Brentwood.....								1	400		
San Francisco Mission.....											
IONE DISTRICT											
Ione and Mt. Echo.....			35 15		500 00	40 10	17 30	1	2000	1	1000
Plymouth.....			11 50		194 36	20 75	11 10	1	400	1	300
Sutter Creek.....			22 55		207 95	22 35		1	300	1	200
Cosumnes.....			7 02		302 70	22 15		1	1600		
Oakdale.....			52 06		†458 65	40 00	7 50	1	1500	1	500
Chico and Dayton.....			20 61		†263 56	42 15					
Total.....	\$3 15	\$4 68	\$351 86	\$5 00	\$3518 85	\$445 87	\$78 45	11	\$13900	9	\$7500

\*From Conference Missions, \$20.20.

†From General Missionary Board, \$40.00



## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

## SAN JOSE AND IONE DISTRICTS.

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members										General Students' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
		Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday-Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Confereants' Fund	General Students' Claim	Conference Missions Claim							
SAN JOSE DISTRICT																		
	Wm. Pearce District Elder																	
	G. W. Griffith, supply.....	28	33	3	1	1	9	60	8	\$ 8 40	\$ 5 04	\$14 00	\$ 4 20	\$ 2 80		\$ 62 50	\$ 21 70	
	J. E. Cochran.....	34	6	40	2	1	9	50	6	9 10	4 68	10 90	3 90	2 60		1 20	16 75	
	Santa Clara.....	6	6			1	5	24	3	2 35	1 30		1 05	70		14 00		
	Corralitos.....	60	6	66	3	1	11	85	14	17 20	9 72	21 60	8 10	5 40		10 15	23 50	
	Gilroy and Paradise Valley.....	18	1	19		2	8	50	7	1 50	3 00	10 00	3 75	30				
	Santa Rosa.....	14	3	17		1	7	30	2	1 20	1 80	1 20	1 20					
	Pacheco.....	7	7			1	3	10	1	3 95	1 30		1 05	70				
	Brentwood.....	5	5	1	1				1	3 25	2 00		1 00	52				
	San Francisco Mission.....																	
IONE DISTRICT																		
	Wm. Pearce, District Elder																	
	W. C. Graves.....	25	4	29	2	1	7	32	5	5 94	3 24	7 20	2 70	1 80		4 00	107 80	
	E. Hadix, supply.....	9	2	11	1	1	4	10	2	3 00	2 10	5 20	1 00	90				
	Sutter Creek.....	12	1	13	1	1	3	26	2		1 00		30					
	F. Barlow, supply.....	23	7	30	1	1	1	15	5	3 50	1 98	4 50	1 69	1 00		2 87		
	Cosumnes.....	20	4	24	3	1	6	41	5	6 65	3 60	8 00	3 00	2 00		4 60	19 40	
	Oakdale.....																	
	Chico and Dayton.....	26	5	31		1	9	79	7	8 10	4 86	2 00	4 55	2 70		4 57	12 00	
	By collection at conference.....									5 06	1 90		2 11	5 98				
	Total.....	287	44	331	15	5	14	82	516	68	\$79 20	\$47 52	\$84 60	\$39 60	\$26 40	\$103 89	\$291 15	

# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twelfth Annual Session, held at Los Angeles, California, May 29-June 2, 1901.

## OFFICERS

W. A. SELLEW, President.

DAVID McLEOD, Secretary.

S. R. GITTINS, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Nominations—C. B. Ebey, E. Leonardson, F. J. Heil.

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, C. B. Ebey, E. Leonardson, D. G. Shepard.

On State of the Work—C. B. Ebey, E. Leonardson, D. G. Shepard, F. J. Heil, P. H. Hammond, Ellen Burkholder.

On Sabbath-schools—W. G. Lopeman, Marian Ford, Clarinda Shepard, Mrs. Lee Dixon, Julia Gill.

On Publications—C. B. Ebey, Wm. Burkholder, M. C. Sperrow, C. O. Cooper, Wm. Arnett, T. F. Stansberry.

On Reforms—D. G. Shepard, T. B. Fisher, E. Leonardson, John Romine, F. A. Ames, Jas. Cusick, C. L. Hafley.

On Education—O. Gornall, Jas. Seals, J. B. Roberts, Benjamin Chubbic, L. C. Ebey.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—N. S. Honn, A. B. Gill, O. Gornall, W. G. Lopeman.

On Ministerial Relations and Efficiency—The stationing committee.

On Conference Claims and Claimants—W. A. Sellew, C. B. Ebey, E. Leonardson, F. J. Heil, Clarinda Shepard.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—E. G. Albright, P. H. Hammond.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

C. B. Ebey, for three years; Ellsworth Leonardson, for two years; D. G. Shepard, for one year.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

C. B. Ebey, president; Ellsworth Leonardson, secretary; M. C. Sperrow, D. G. Shepard, F. J. Heil.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

C. B. Ebey,  
N. S. Honn,  
L. C. Ebey,  
W. G. Lopeman,  
A. B. Gill,

David McLeod,  
J. B. Roberts,  
E. Leonardson,  
Wm. Burkholder,  
O. Gornall.

James Seals,  
F. A. Ames,  
D. G. Shepard,  
E. G. Albright.

T. B. Fisher,  
S. R. Gittins,  
M. N. Huston,  
E. E. Ely.

### DELEGATES

F. J. Heil,  
Marian Ford,  
Benjamin Chubbic,  
P. H. Hammond,

Ellen Burkholder,  
James M. Cusick,  
Clarinda Shepard,  
John Romine,

Julia Gill,  
C. O. Cooper,  
Wm. Arnett,  
J. J. Harshman,

C. L. Hafley,  
Mrs. Lee Dixon,  
M. C. Sperrow,  
T. F. Stansberry.

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellew, C. B. Ebey, E. Leonardson, D. G. Shepard, F. J. Heil, P. H. Hammond, Clarinda Shepard.



3. What preachers are admitted on trial? F. S. Kamm, by transfer from the Wisconsin conference; T. J. Hafley, by transfer from the Kansas conference.
4. Who remain on trial? S. F. Heilman, Clyde R. Ebey, W. I. Lively.
6. Who are the deacons? E. G. Albright.
8. Who have located this year? J. H. Wyatt.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn out preachers? M. N. Huston, L. C. Ebey.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? Place, left with the district elders, C. O. Cooper and F. J. Heil. Time, as near the second Wednesday in June, 1902, as will suit the plans of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Five sittings of the conference were held in connection with the camp-meeting in Sycamore Grove. Harmony, spirituality and the blessing of the Lord characterized the entire meeting.

The conference adopted resolutions of appreciation of the labors of General Superintendent W. A. Sellew and wife during their stay with us.

The following ministerial brethren were introduced to the conference and invited to honorary seats: Rev. J. K. Freeland of the South Dakota conference, Rev. A. Beers of Seattle Seminary, Washington conference, and several ministers of other churches.

The conference collections were ordered taken as follows: First Quarter, Home Missions, 25 cents per member; second quarter, General Missions, 15 cents per member; third quarter, General Superintendents and Church Extension, 10 cents per member; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants and Collection for Foreign Missions. Watch the *Free Methodist* for amount of collections not given.

## APPOINTMENTS

### LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.—ELLSWORTH LEONARDSON, District Elder

Los Angeles, 6th St. and Highland Park.....	David McLeod
Pasadena.....	S. F. Heilman
Artesia and Compton.....	S. R. Gittins
Whittier and La Habra.....	F. A. Ames
Santa Ana.....	C. B. Ebey
Balser, Fountain Valley, and Anaheim.....	A. B. Gill
Monte Vista and Toluca.....	E. E. Ely
Monrovia.....	J. S. Nickle, supply

Clyde R. Ebey, left without appointment to attend school at Seattle seminary; L. C. Ebey and M. N. Huston superannuated.

### SAN DIEGO DISTRICT.—ELLSWORTH LEONARDSON, District Elder

San Diego and Escondido.....	J. B. Roberts, Nora Roberts, supply
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### HANFORD DISTRICT.—JAMES SEALS, District Elder

Hanford.....	To be supplied
Fresno.....	N. S. Honn
Eureka and Kingsburg.....	W. G. Lopeman
Tulare.....	A. M. Taylor, supply

SAN LUIS OBISPO DISTRICT.—JAMES SEALS, District Elder	
Paso Robles, Aroyo Grande and Nipoma.....	F. S. Kamm, one to be supplied
ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO DISTRICT.—D. G. SHEPARD, District Elder	
San Marcial, N. M.....	O. Gornall
Phoenix and Peoria.....	To be supplied
Liberty and Gila Bend.....	E. G. Albright
Prescott.....	Wm. Burkholder
Globe and Livingston.....	T. J. Hafley
Cline, Giselia and Angoria.....	W. I. Lively

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

The land is flooded with publications, good, bad, indifferent. It is very gratifying to know that in the midst of yellow journalism there are going forth many pages of clean, pure gospel, pages filled with words that burn, words that stir and quicken the conscience, words that enlighten the mind, words that gladden the soul.

Our heavenly Father by the mouth of his servants has faithfully warned us against bidding Godspeed the messenger who brings a gospel other than the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. If it be dangerous to welcome to our households the bearer of an impure gospel, certainly he who brings into his home the weekly visitor containing the poison of hell merits the condemnation of the Lord and the disapprobation and condemnation of his fellows. When one peruses the pages of a Republican organ he has a right to expect the utterances contained to be in harmony with the principles and views held by the Republican party. Thus with a Democratic or a Populist organ. So when we peruse a professedly Christian paper we have a right to expect that it speak out clearly on the doctrines and practices of Christianity, that it contain no doubtful utterances, no compromising word concerning vital Christianity.

We rejoice that we have a publishing house so ably managed, and that there is issuing forth therefrom such excellent periodicals. Our Sabbath-school papers are gems of neatness, and are full of choice reading well adapted to the minds and hearts of our children. The Quarterlies and Lesson Helps are choice indeed. *Missionary Tidings* is a neat, interesting sheet which no one who loves the heathen and desires their salvation can afford to be without.

The *Free Methodist*, our denominational organ, is most ably edited, and certainly compares favorably with any similar periodical in point of matter and mechanical execution. We hail its weekly visits with delight. Inasmuch as the Free Methodist church has by the General Conference endorsed the Prohibition party we think that the *Free Methodist* should do likewise. While we respect and pray for our chief ruler, President Wm. McKinley, in view of his attitude on the army canteen and the social evil in Manila and his hobnobbing with the brewers and distillers of beer and whiskey, we would request the editor to refrain from at least a surplus of eulogies upon him. We would urge all our people to subscribe for the *Free Methodist*. It strikes us as certainly most inconsistent to neglect to take our excellent church paper and at the same time pay out money for the secular daily.

We are confident that a Free Methodist paper published on the coast would be a most valuable agency in helping us to spread the gospel, and trust the time may not be far distant when the church may feel warranted in publishing a Pacific coast Free Methodist. Gladly, with the consent of the executive committee, would we join with our sister coast conferences in starting and helping to maintain such a paper.

We rejoice at the appearing of that most excellent work, the life of our deeply lamented general superintendent, Rev. Benjamin T. Roberts, written by his son, Prof. B. H. Roberts, and would urge our people to purchase and place in their homes a copy of the same. We would give our most hearty endorsement to those excellent prohibition papers, the *New Voice*, so ably edited by John G. Wooley, and the *California Voice*, and advise our people to subscribe for the same. We would not forget that excellent little gospel herald, the *Olive Branch*. Send to Sister M. J. Everhart, 95 Desplaines Street, Chicago, Illinois, for it. We still hold the *Earnest Christian* in high esteem.

We fail to understand why we have to pay the large sum of forty cents per copy for our conference minutes, paper bound. We are desirous that the publishing house make good, fair profits, but we are convinced that the price is far too high and fear that the outcome of this will result in the annual conferences securing their own minutes published elsewhere.



## II.—ON REFORMS.

Practical godliness is the result of a genuine religious experience. Christ "loved righteousness and hated iniquity." A Christian is "ready for every good work." He is to make the world around him better and not wait for Christ to come to correct the evils of the day.

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We regard the legalized liquor traffic as "The sum of all villainies," the enemy of the home, the great barrier in the way of the spread of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the sin of the voting church. Therefore

*Resolved 1.* That we would enter our Christian protest against the licensing of the saloon and prostitution in our foreign possessions, and the debauching of our old soldiers by the canteen. We call attention to the systematic lying indulged in by the war department and the leading journals of the country in reference to the increase of drunkenness and saloons since the canteens have been abolished.

*Resolved 2.* That our righteous indignation is stirred at the example set by a Methodist President traveling through the country with a special wine car attached to his train, and feel that the Christian sentiment of the country has been outraged by his bibulous habits and complete subservience to the liquor interests.

*Resolved 3.* That we rejoice at the agitation and revival of public sentiment that has been aroused in Kansas and throughout the country by the sound of Mrs. Carrie Nation's hatchet. We sympathize with, and would pray for, this Deborah of the temperance hosts, and feel that she has come to the kingdom for such an hour as this.

*Resolved 4.* That it is our conviction as a conference that it is the duty of every Free Methodist minister and layman to take no uncertain position on this question, but by voice and vote support the one political party that stands for righteousness.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
LOS ANGELES DISTRICT						\$427 50					
Los Angeles, Sixth Street.....	\$1 00	\$1 00	\$ 42 22	\$ 75	\$ 608 50	75 27	\$ 11 38	1	\$ 2000	1	\$ 1400
Compton.....						29 96					
Pasadena.....			12 43		323 12	39 38	6 71	1	2000	1	800
Monte Vista.....					84 31	14 36		1	1000		
Artesia.....			10 00		176 85	31 00		1	300	1	150
Bolsa and La Habra.....			20 50		159 81	43 88		2	600	1	200
Santa Ana.....			27 00		292 24	89 93		1	1600		300
Santa Monica and Sawtelle.....			8 00		100 00	14 90		1	200		
Toluca.....					41 55						
SAN DIEGO DISTRICT											
San Diego.....			15 03		2 75	43 80	27 82	1	800		
HANFORD DISTRICT						240 39					
Hanford.....			11 13		242 41	24 05					105
Eureka.....			32 08		304 00	17 27		1	800	1	200
Tulare.....					35 45						
SAN LUIS OBISPO DISTRICT											
Paso Robles.....			12 20		38 85	56 50					
Arroyo Grande.....			2 98		62 42	27 82					
ARIZONA DISTRICT						240 25					
Phoenix.....			8 00		212 00	70 25	16 50	1	3300	1	450
Buckeye.....	1 00		10 00		159 11	26 20	13 90	1	700	1	200
Payson and Cline.....			15 00		199 00	51 50	17 00				
Prescott.....			1 60	1 00	309 05	7 15					
San Marcial, N. M.....			3 92		45 50						
Total.....	\$2 00	\$1 00	\$232 09	\$1 75	\$3668 67	\$908 14	\$93 31	12	\$13390	7	\$3805

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

LOS ANGELES, SAN DIEGO, HANFORD, SAN LUIS OBISPO AND ARIZONA DISTRICTS.

CHARGE	PREACHER	Missionaries	Total	Local Preachers	Volunteers	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of Papers	Conference Claims	General Superintendents' Claims	Conference Missions Claims	General Missions Claims	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claims	Women's Foreign Societies	
LOS ANGELES DISTRICT																	
Los Angeles, Sixth Street.	C. B. Ebey, District Elder	49	30	4	1	10	46	6	\$0.00	\$ 7.30	\$10.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 4.00		\$0.00	\$0.84	
Carlsbad.	Dwight McLeod	10	10						3.30	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.00		1.80	2.07	
Chico.	Supplied	27	42	1	1	6	38	6	6.30	3.78	6.25	3.15	3.10		3.10		
Palmdale.	S. B. Williams	6	6						3.10	1.35	1.35	1.00	1.70		1.70		
Monte Vista.	T. R. Fisher	20	20	1	1	6	28	2	8.10	3.03	4.25	3.55	1.70		1.70		
Artesia.	E. A. Ames	20	20	1	1	10	33	6	8.88	5.93	6.60	3.90	3.30		3.30		
Rosa and La Habra.	Samuel R. Griffin	57	60	1	1	11	60	12	16.90	9.54	13.35	7.95	5.30		5.30		
Santa Ana.	Oliver Corrao	11	11						6.70	1.62	2.35	1.35	1.30		1.30		
Santa Monica and Sawtelle.	Noel C. Roberts	5	5														
Toluca.	Clyde R. Ebey	2	2														
SAN DIEGO DISTRICT																	
San Diego.	C. B. Ebey, District Elder	21	24	1	1	4	14	7	9.94	3.24	4.50	3.70	1.80			8.86	
HANFORD DISTRICT																	
Hanford.	Ellsworth Leonardson, D. E.	10	12	2		2	21	3	3.70	1.65	3.25	1.35	1.00		3.35		
Tulare.	N. S. Hoan	12	13	1	1	9	30	3	3.60	2.16	3.00	1.80	1.20		29.16		
	W. G. Loewman	7	9	1													
	A. M. Taylor																
SAN LUIS OBISPO DISTRICT																	
Paso Robles.	Ellsworth Leonardson, D. E.	29	34	2	1	5	43	3	5.14	3.78	6.50	3.33	1.85		3.33		
Arroyo Grande.	A. B. Gill	8	9	1				4	3.30	1.98	2.75	1.65	1.10		3.00		
ARIZONA DISTRICT																	
Phoenix.	D. C. Shepard, District Elder	10	10	1	1	2	8	2	5.61	3.06	4.25	3.05	1.70		3.05		
Buckeye.	Chas. Fish	22	22	2	1	5	25	3	6.90	4.14	6.75	3.45	3.30		3.45		
Paysand and Globe.	E. G. Albright	48	53	2	2	6	30	4	1.80	1.08	1.50	1.00	0.60		2.00		
Prescott.	R. J. E. Joly	4	4	1	1	1	7	1									
San Marcial, N. M.	William Burkholder	4	4	1	1	2	37	1									
	T. J. Hadley																
		312	31	378	18	10	47	98	409	78	\$80.06	\$54.31	\$75.75	\$44.18	\$29.45	\$59.32	\$119.05



# NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Fourth Annual Session, held at Grand Prairie, North Dakota,  
March 20-24, 1901

## OFFICERS

J. B. FREELAND, President.

O. E. McCracken, Secretary.

W. H. LAWSON, Assistant Secretary.

T. H. MARSH, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—J. B. Freeland, F. A. Reeves, Zeno Newell.

On Publications—H. A. Spicer, T. H. Marsh, John Dynes.

On State of the Work—F. A. Reeves.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Nominate a Board of Examiners for the Ensuing Year—J. B. Freeland.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—W. S. Ballenger, Sarah Northrup.

On Sabbath-schools—O. E. Rice.

On Reforms—W. A. Greenup, A. G. Parks.

On Education—T. H. Marsh, C. G. Heath.

On Collecting Funds to Publish the Minutes—John Dynes.

To Receive the Various Conference Funds—Grant Greenup.

Railroad Secretary—O. E. McCracken.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Publications—T. H. Marsh.

On Reforms—F. A. Reeves.

On Education—W. S. Ballenger.

On State of the Work—C. G. Heath.

On Sabbath-schools—Zeno Newell.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

T. H. Marsh, F. A. Reeves, C. G. Heath, O. E. Rice, John Dynes.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

T. H. Marsh, C. G. Heath, W. S. Ballenger.

## OFFICERS OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. C. G. Heath, president; Mrs. Mollie Lawson, vice-president; Mrs. Thos. Heath, corresponding secretary, Gardner, N. D.; Mrs. W. S. Ballenger, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary Mann, treasurer, Gardner, N. D.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Home Missions; second quarter, Church Extension and General Superintendents'; third quarter, General Missions; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants'.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

G. Greenup,  
A. G. Parks,  
Zeno Newell,

W. H. Lawson,  
T. H. Marsh,  
C. G. Heath,

W. A. Greenup,  
H. A. Spicer,  
O. E. McCracken.

F. A. Reeves,  
W. S. Ballenger.

### DELEGATES

John Dynes,  
J. W. Searing.

James Burchill,

O. E. Rice,

Sarah Northrup,

2. Who are the stationing committee? J. B. Freeland, F. A. Reeves, John Dynes.

3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. None.

11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? T. H. Marsh, from the Illinois conference; W. S. Ballenger, from the Missouri conference; C. G. Heath, from the Kentucky and Tennessee conference.

12. None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer? Grant Greenup, W. A. Greenup.

15-23. See statistical report.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? In connection with our annual camp-meeting in June, 1902; the place to be decided upon by C. G. Heath, Zeno Newell and O. E. McCracken.

## MISCELLANEOUS

This session of the conference, held at Grand Prairie, North Dakota, was harmonious and the meetings were all spiritually beneficial. Rev. J. B. Freeland of the South Dakota conference was appointed by General Superintendent Sellow to hold the conference. His words of advice and counsel were heartily received. His preaching was in the demonstration of the Spirit and with power.

With feelings of regret that larger results have not been realized, and with renewed consecration to accomplish more in this holy war for God, the preachers go to their new fields of labor.

## APPOINTMENTS

RED RIVER DISTRICT.—C. G. HEATH, District Elder.

Fargo Mission and Barrie.....	F. A. Reeves, Fargo, N. D.
Gardner.....	T. H. Marsh; O. E. McCracken, assistant, Gardner, "
Grand Prairie.....	W. H. Lawson, Minnie Lake, "
Glenfield and Edmunds.....	H. A. Spicer..... Edmunds, "
Jamestown.....	Verne D. Pool, supply, Jamestown, "

LARIMORE DISTRICT.—C. G. HEATH, District Elder.

Crary and Nixon School-house.....	W. S. Ballenger, Crary, N. D.
Park River and Golden Valley.....	A. G. Parks, Park River, "
Larimore and Mayville.....	Zeno Newell, Larimore, "
McHenry County.....	O. S. Shaver, Granville, "

W. A. Greenup and Grant Greenup granted certificates of their standing.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' SALARY.—Apportioned and paid, \$24.30.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Apportioned and paid, \$20.25.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Apportioned and paid, \$47.25.

HOME MISSIONS.—Apportioned and paid, \$33.75.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—\$13.50.

TO PUBLISH THE MINUTES.—\$15.00.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—\$75.50.



## II.—ON EDUCATION.

Your committee on education submit the following report: There never was, perhaps, an age when as much money and energy was expended on education as now. In fact there seems to be almost a mania in respect to education. And furthermore there never was an age when such a high premium was placed upon it as now, in the commercial, intellectual and religious world. Also we may say, without fear of contradiction, there never was an age when it was so difficult to succeed on any line without an education as now. Education among all classes seems to be imperative.

We are glad, however, to state that there never was a time when there were such opportunities and facilities for securing an education as now. We are also pleased to note the interest that has been awakened in our denomination on this subject, and trust that a deeper awakening will yet characterize us in the not distant future.

While what we have written is true we deplore the materialistic and immoral atmosphere often found in our common and especially our city schools, where the Bible is looked upon as a back number, its teachings as dangerous, and where with contempt it is ruled out. We also deplore the unspiritual and carnal tendencies of many denominational and so-called religious schools, some of them fairly honey-combed with higher criticism, which is simply a morocco-bound and gilt-edged infidelity, many of the professors of these institutions being evolutionists. They are evidently evolving, but in the wrong direction we fear. If we are compelled to send our children to such schools we do it with fear and trembling, knowing them to be mighty factors in moulding the sentiments and characters of the young. We are glad, however, to be able to call to your notice and recommend to your patronage our own schools, many of which are children of Providence and have been brought into existence, fostered and sustained at great sacrifice, toil and earnest prayer; schools where "Holiness unto the Lord" and "Education for character" are their mottoes; where the sciences, art, music, classics and theology are taught by liberally educated, broad minded, pure hearted educators, who not only teach the young to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and to follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man can see God, but urge these truths upon them, and are capable of helping them into the experiences the scriptures teach. These educators are not simply interested in the development of the physical and the culture of the mental, but are also as thoroughly interested in the spiritual and immortal, and are endeavoring to prepare our young not merely for lucrative positions, positions of affluence and influence, but for Christian citizenship, lives of self-sacrifice and toil for the purifying and elevation of society, and to go forth to exemplify and reflect the character of Him of whom it is written, "He did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth;" and again, "He went about doing good." For these schools we should pray and pay; and while the Goulds, Carnegies and Rockefellers are giving their thousands and millions to institutions less needy and worthy can we not do more to sustain and place our noble schools on a more solid financial basis? Would it not be a good idea for some of our good people whose earthly race is nearly run, and whom God has favored with the things of this world, to begin to administer their own estates while living, and not leave this to be done by less consecrated and conscientious persons who generally find excuses for not distributing these post mortem gifts as instructed in their last will and testament? Oh, may God stir up our hearts and help us to be good stewards of the things he has so blest us with, and may we do something noble and generous for these schools before we go hence and are no more!

We might mention here that we recognize the action of the South Dakota conference at its last session, in enlarging the Board of Trustees of the Wessington Springs Seminary in order to give the patronizing conferences representation, as a measure calculated to help in the work of promoting Christian education among us. We also heartily approve the action in electing Hon. Thomas Heath as trustee from this conference, and shall be glad to welcome the ever genial financial agent, Rev. J. B. Freeland, on his visits among us in representing the seminary and its work.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE

## RED RIVER AND LARIMORE DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
RED RIVER DISTRICT	F. A. Reeves, District Elder.																	
	Gardner.....	38	17	55	1	1	7	50	13	\$13 65	\$7 80	\$9 75	\$5 85	\$3 90	\$11 00			
	T. H. Marsh.....	13		13					3	1 62	3 15	2 25	1 35	90	7 50			
	C. S. Shaver.....	35	1	36	1	1	7	50	10	10 30	5 40	7 50	4 50	3 00				
	Zeno Newell.....	15		15	1	1	4	38	4	4 20	2 16	3 00	1 80	1 20				
	H. A. Spicer.....	6		6														
LARIMORE DISTRICT	W. E. Nixon.....																	
	F. A. Reeves, District Elder.																	
	Grant Greenup.....	20	3	23	1	1	8	30	7	7 20	4 32	6 00	3 50	2 40	14 00			
	Supplied.....	12	3	15	1	1	4	13	3									
	A. G. Parks.....	14		14					3	4 30	2 52	3 50	2 10	1 40	5 00			
Total.....		153	24	177	1	5	30	131	43	\$42 07	\$25 35	\$32 00	\$19 20	\$12 80	\$37 50			

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RED RIVER DISTRICT											
Gardner.....			\$16 60	.....	\$710 00	\$174 27	\$49 00	1	\$1500	1	\$ 800
Fargo and Barrie.....			.....	.....	220 00	50 00	19 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Prairie.....	\$1 00	\$5 00	8 00	.....	818 94	103 06	8 00	1	1200	1	800
Jamestown.....			13 72	.....	128 37	26 81	.....	1	600	.....	.....
Glenfield.....			.....	.....	.....	6 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
LARIMORE DISTRICT											
Crary.....			15 00	.....	377 27	60 00	.....	.....	.....	1	500
Larimore and Mayville.....			.....	.....	130 00	20 00	.....	1	1300	.....	.....
Park River and Golden Valley.....			.....	.....	300 00	33 82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Collected at conference.....			.....	.....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$1 00	\$5 00	\$53 32	.....	\$2684 58	\$534 31	\$76 00	4	\$4600	3	\$2100



# COLUMBIA RIVER CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session, held at Spokane, Washington, April 17-20,  
1901

## OFFICERS

WALTER A. SELLEW, President.

B. H. ALBERTS, Secretary.

H. S. SMITH, Assistant Secretary.

J. D. COOK, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, G. R. Stamp, B. H. Alberts.

On Education—S. P. Westfield, J. D. Cook.

On Sunday-schools—Flora Denney, S. H. Yockey, Miss H. L. Betts.

On Publications—E. W. Achilles, J. D. Cook, S. H. Yockey.

On Reforms—G. R. Stamp, C. F. Denney, H. S. Smith.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—Guy Denney.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—Miss H. L. Betts, F. W. Dickie.

To Receive Woman's Foreign Missionary Money—Mrs. Mary Achilles.

On State of the Work—The stationing committee.

On Home Missions—The stationing committee.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

G. R. Stamp, president; J. D. Cook, secretary; E. W. Achilles, treasurer.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

E. W. Achilles, for five years; J. D. Cook, for four years; S. P. Westfield, for three years; B. H. Alberts, for two years; G. R. Stamp, for one year.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Education—J. F. Leise.

On Publications—B. H. Alberts.

On Sunday-schools—S. H. Yockey.

On Reforms—J. D. Cook.

On State of the Work—G. R. Stamp.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

George Edwards,  
S. H. Yockey,  
G. R. Stamp,

E. W. Achilles,  
J. N. Wood,  
S. P. Westfield,

J. D. Cook,  
Guy Denney,  
J. F. Leise.

B. H. Alberts,  
C. F. Denney,

### DELEGATES

Mrs. Eva E. Alberts,  
Mrs. A. M. Darneille,  
Mrs. Clara Atkinson,  
O. W. Fraker.

S. T. Andrus,  
Maggie Denney,  
F. W. Dickie,

Jerome Buzan,  
Flora B. Denney,  
F. H. Gilpatrick,

H. S. Smith,  
Frank Norris,  
Lloyd Winslow,

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellew, G. R. Stamp, Herbert S. Smith.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? E. M. Mortimore.

4. Who remain on trial? D. W. Haight, E. F. Waring.

6. Who are the deacons? S. H. Yockey, J. N. Wood, Guy Denney, C. F. Denney, D. W. Haight, J. A. Lung (last two local).

5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15. None.

11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? J. F. Leise, an elder from the Oregon conference.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23. See statistics.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? As near the first Wednesday in June, 1902, as the general superintendents can arrange, and in connection with a camp-meeting. The location was left with a committee consisting of G. R. Stamp, J. N. Wood, B. H. Alberts, Peter Taylor and H. S. Smith.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The sixth session of the Columbia River conference was held in the new Free Methodist church in Spokane, Washington, April 17-20, 1901. General Superintendent W. A. Sellev came the 11th of the month and preached each night but one until the close. Sunday morning the dedicatory sermon was preached by the superintendent and \$267.00 was raised and the church given to the Lord. There was raised for various purposes during the conference \$330.60. The conference claims were all paid and a surplus of \$6.25.

The conference collections are to be taken as follows: First quarter, Home Missions (25 cents per member), one-half of which is to be sent to B. H. Alberts, 827 Madelia St., Spokane, Wash., the balance to be brought to conference. General Missions (15 cents); second quarter, Conference Claimants; third quarter, Church Extension and Foreign Missions; fourth quarter, General Superintendents'.

The conference by vote requested the executive committee to change the boundary line between the Washington and Columbia River conferences and make the Columbia river the boundary line.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$54.30.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$32.58.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$27.15.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Assessed and paid, \$18.10.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—25 cents.

CHILDREN'S FUND.—\$1.00.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—\$18.00.

HOME MISSIONS.—In treasury from last year, 70 cents. Assessed and paid this year, \$45.25. Total, \$45.95.

Disbursements: B. H. Alberts, \$22.63; George Edwards, \$15.00; S. H. Yockey, \$8.32. Total, \$45.95.

IN CONFERENCE TREASURY.—\$6.25.

## APPOINTMENTS

SPOKANE DISTRICT.—G. R. STAMP, District Elder, Box 111, Coeur D'Alene, Idaho.

Spokane.....	B. H. Alberts, 827 Madelia St., Spokane, Wash.
Tyler, Medical Lake and Cheney.....	C. F. Denney, Tyler, "
Sprague and Ritzville.....	D. W. Haight, Ritzville, "
St. John circuit.....	J. D. Cook, St. John, "
Penawawa circuit.....	J. N. Wood, Penawawa, "

Tekoa and Summervale.....E. M. Norris, supply, Tekoa, Wash.  
 Clarkfork.....S. H. Yockey, Clarkfork, Idaho  
 Eva E. Alberts, conference evangelist.

**PENDLETON DISTRICT.**—G. R. STAMP, District Elder.

Athena, Vansycle and Waterman.....E. W. Achilles, Athena, Oregon  
 The Dalles and White River.....Guy Denney, The Dalles, Oregon  
 Goldendale.....To be supplied

**BAKER CITY DISTRICT.**—G. R. STAMP, District Elder.

Baker City.....Miss H. Luella Betts, supply, Baker City, Oregon  
 Boise, Meridian, Dell and Owyhee.....George Edwards, Owyhee, Malheur Co., Oregon

**COLVILLE DISTRICT.**—G. R. STAMP, District Elder.

Colville.....J. F. Leise, Colville, Wash.  
 Daisy and Waterloo.....To be supplied  
 Chewelah.....E. M. Mortimore, Chewelah, Wash.

**YAKIMA DISTRICT.**—To be supplied by B. F. SMALLEY, District Elder of the  
 Washington conference.

Roslyn and Cle Elum.....S. P. Westfield, Roslyn, Wash.  
 Ellensburg and Teanaway.....S. T. Andrus, supply, Ellensburg, "  
 North Yakima and Sunnyside.....To be supplied

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Spokane.....			\$ 9 63		\$152 07	7 91		1	\$700	1	\$800
St. John.....			28 00		289 50	50 00		1		1	600
Penawawa.....			23 79	\$1 44	360 00	34 25		1	600	1	600
Tyler, Cheney, Medical Lake			3 60		138 27	39 15		1	400		
Sprague, Ritzville, Lord's Valley			1 56		208 00		\$11 00				
Latah and Summervale.....			1 25		212 50	20 00					
Clarkfork.....			21 64		21 47						
<b>COLVILLE DISTRICT</b>						88 37					
Colville.....			25 80		375 00	32 68		1	1000	1	500
Chewelah.....			16 97		351 50	41 37		1	1000	1	250
Daisy and Waterloo.....		\$ 97	12 00		258 00	14 10					
<b>YAKIMA DISTRICT</b>						93 91					
Roslyn and Cle Elum.....	\$ 25	25	35 52	08	634 58	33 66		1	800	1	550
Goldendale.....					48 55	10 61		1	250		
The Dalles.....					91 75	12 86					
Ellensburg.....					97 01	12 00					
North Yakima and Sunnyside.....											
<b>BAKER CITY DISTRICT</b>											
Baker City.....					89 05						
Owyhee.....											
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$ 25</b>	<b>\$1 22</b>	<b>\$178 51</b>	<b>\$2 77</b>	<b>\$3320 25</b>	<b>\$308 58</b>	<b>\$11 00</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>\$4750</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>\$2500</b>



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# OREGON CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session, held at Eugene, Oregon, June 12-16, 1901

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W. A. SELLEW, President.

H. V. HASLAM, Secretary.

D. M. CATHEY, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, J. Glen, W. E. Goode.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Education—D. J. Goode, M. D. Wilson, J. Glen, G. W. Billmire.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—T. H. Symms, M. D. Wilson.  
J. H. Brown.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—C. G. Brisco, M. F. Green.

On Publications—D. M. Cathey, E. I. Harrington, J. L. Brady.

On Reforms—W. Pearce, W. E. Goode, J. H. Brown.

On Sabbath-schools—E. I. Harrington, James Goode, Nettie B. Bryant.

To Receive Conference Moneys—G. W. Billmire.

On Ministerial Relations—W. Pearce, H. V. Haslam, D. M. Cathey, C. G. Rambo, J. L. Guttry.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

W. Pearce, J. Glen, H. J. Blair, D. J. Goode, G. W. Billmire.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

H. V. Haslam, three years; W. Pearce, two years; W. E. Goode, one year.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

J. Glen,	J. H. Brown,	W. Barrett,	R. H. Dollarhide,
J. W. Eldredge,	W. E. Goode,	H. J. Blair,	D. J. Goode,
N. C. Mower,	T. H. Symms,	J. G. Tunison,	R. Pettyjohn,
P. A. Scott,	G. W. Wheelon,	H. V. Haslam,	E. I. Harrington,
G. W. Bondurant,	E. P. Kyle,	H. W. Ruby,	W. Pearce.

### DELEGATES

J. L. Brady,	M. D. Wilson,	Christenia Trullinger,	M. F. Green,
Eli Rowley,	F. B. Creecy,	Nettie B. Bryant,	G. W. Seeley,
C. G. Rambo,	G. W. Billmire,	C. G. Brisco,	D. M. Cathey,
F. Smith,	J. F. Goode,	James Nave,	J. L. Guttry,
A. W. Darling,			

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellew, J. Glen, W. E. Goode.  
T. H. Symms, D. M. Cathey, J. L. Brady, C. G. Rambo.
3. What preachers are admitted on trial? None.
4. Who remain on trial? John A. Goode, W. J. Johnson.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.
6. Who are the deacons? R. Pettyjohn, G. W. Bondurant, E. I. Harrington.
- 7, 8. None.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? J. A. Goode.
10. Who are the superannuated preachers? D. J. Goode, G. W. Wheelon.

11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? W. Pearce, from the California conference.

12. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? J. F. Leise, by the Salem district quarterly conference during the year.

13. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? E. P. Kyle.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation, etc.? The character of each was examined and passed with the exception of J. G. Tunison and H. W. Ruby. The latter was tried by a committee of eight in the presence of W. A. Sellow, and found guilty of immoral and unchristian conduct, and was expelled from the conference and the church.

15. None.

16-20. See statistics.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, etc.? G. W. Wheelon, \$60.00.

24. See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? The appointment of the place was left with a committee consisting of W. Pearce, W. E. Goode, D. M. Cathey and G. W. Billmire. It was decided to hold it in connection with a camp-meeting, as near the first of June, 1902, as will be consistent with the plans of the general superintendent.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The conference was held at Eugene, in connection with a camp-meeting. Four regular sittings were held. The conference throughout was perfectly harmonious. General Superintendent W. A. Sellow and wife by their presence and ministrations were made a great blessing to the conference. Brother Sellow's sermons and addresses were wonderfully helpful and uplifting.

Resolutions of thanks were voted the president of the conference, the citizens of Eugene who so kindly assisted in its entertainment, and the secretaries, for whom a collection of \$5.38 was taken. A goodly number of persons were converted and sanctified during the meeting.

The annual business meeting of the W. F. M. S. was held on Friday afternoon, and the following officers were elected: Alma K. Pearce, president; Hattie Wrage, secretary; Lucy Glen, corresponding secretary; Lula Haslam, treasurer. A public missionary meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, when a collection of \$22.00 was taken, also \$32.00 for the support of two India orphans was subscribed, to be paid yearly as long as needed.

The conference collections were ordered to be taken as follows: First quarter, General Missions and Church Extension; second quarter, Conference Claimants; third quarter, General Superintendents' and Conference Missions; fourth quarter, Foreign Missions.

The amount of \$16.40 was raised for publishing the minutes.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Apportionment, \$104.10.

By cash and receipts, \$94.99. Deficiency (raised at conference), \$9.11. Total, \$104.10.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Apportionment, \$62.46.

By cash and receipts, \$52.97. Deficiency (raised at conference), \$9.49. Total, \$62.46.



GENERAL MISSIONS.—Apportionment, \$52.05.

By cash and receipts, \$37.70. Deficiency (raised at conference), \$14.35. Total, \$52.05.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Apportionment, \$34.70.

By cash and receipts, \$19.26. Deficiency (raised at conference), \$15.44. Total, \$34.70.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Apportionment, \$34.70.

By cash, \$17.80. Deficiency, \$16.90. Total, \$34.70.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—By cash, \$3.00.

## II.—ON REFORMS.

All true reforms have their origin in a transformation of the heart, and a renewing of the mind by the Holy Ghost. The Bible requirements, our church standards and our practice, place us naturally in the vanguard of the reform forces to bear the first shock of battle, and continually present an invincible front to the powers of darkness.

Our attitude as a church against all sin in general, and the more prominent evils which destroy society in particular, is not occasional or spasmodic, but elemental and lasting. Our present work is therefore not to choose our position on the field of strife, but to lay in stores both of grace and wisdom; increase through prayers and faith the effectiveness of the weapons of our warfare, take on divine courage, improve our aim, and stand like the brave with our face to the foe. Our allies in this war of reform are a study.

We will cooperate with our fellow citizens in the suppression of the liquor traffic through absolute prohibition in State and nation, for here we stand on common ground with them. In our stand against secret societies many of our auxiliaries in other reforms drop out of the ranks and even join those of the enemy. On the dress question they are still fewer, and even less courageous.

We will join heartily in the movement against Sabbath desecration, which is increasing to an alarming extent in every form, even professed Christians following in this prevailing evil. We recommend that our preachers also warn their hearers against the tobacco habit, and especially the boys against the use of the cigarette.

All outward reforms have ardent advocates even among the unconverted. We wish them great success, and will aid their efforts when wisely conducted. In the direct work of the salvation of souls our attitude must be quite otherwise. We cannot be responsible for union in revival services with those whose denominational standard is manifestly below our own. We will not oppose the good they do, but we will not expose ourselves to the danger of toning down.

We should sedulously guard ourselves against the possession or manifestation of a wrong spirit in pushing forward these reforms. The advice, "Wherever you find a head, hit it," may have been the expression of much courage, but it is safe to say it was not accompanied by an equal amount of wisdom. We should be firm and heroic, yet gentle and Christlike; warlike, not pugnacious; brave, not boastful; always preserving heavenly tempers, even when the fight is hottest.

## APPOINTMENTS

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—WILLIAM PEARCE, District Elder.

Portland, West Portland, Zionsville and Beaverton.....	H. V. Haslam
Central.....	To be supplied
Gresham, Pleasant Valley and Hillsdale .....	D. M. Cathey, supply
Forest Grove and Reidville.....	G. W. Bondurant
Bethany.....	W. J. Johnston (district elder in charge)
Sunnyside, Damascus and Oregon City.....	B. L. Knoll, supply; W. J. Bowerman, supply

SALEM DISTRICT.—W. PEARCE, District Elder.

Salem and Aumsville.....	R. H. Dollarhide
Dayton, Newberg and Sherwood.....	To be supplied
Scotts Mills and Meadow Brook.....	C. H. Purcell, supply
Falls City and Mill Creek.....	T. H. Symms
Lacomb and Aberdeen.....	E. I. Harrington
Sodaville.....	To be supplied
Beaver and Blaine.....	H. J. Blair; Malinda Blair, supply
G. W. Wheelon, superannuated; J. Glen, conference evangelist; W. Barrett, J. W. Eldredge, R. Pettyjohn, N. C. Mower, left without appointments; J. A. Goode, superannuated; D. J. Goode, superannuated.	

EUGENE DISTRICT.—W. E. GOODE, District Elder.

Eugene, Irving and Oak Hill.....	Oscar Blair, supply
Springfield, Coburg and Thurston.....	Mattie Brown, supply
Isabel, Wendling and Parson Creek.....	J. H. Brown
Saginaw and Cottage Grove.....	To be supplied
Drain, Comstock and Scotts Valley.....	M. F. Green, supply
Roseburg.....	Mary A. Hickman, supply
Myrtle Creek, Canyonville and Riddle.....	J. H. Bogue, supply
P. A. Scott, left without an appointment.	

GRANTS PASS DISTRICT.—W. E. GOODE, District Elder.

Grant's Pass and Centennial School-house.....	Uvilla C. Reese, supply
Applegate, Williams Creek and Wilderville.....	J. M. Reese, supply
Golden, Glendale and Merline.....	M. C. Davis, supply
Ashland and Klameth Falls.....	A. W. Countryman, supply
Medford and Talent.....	M. D. Wilson, supply

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PREACHERS

Wm. Pearce.....	Clackamas, Oregon
T. H. Symms.....	Falls City, "
J. Glen.....	Dayton, "
W. Barrett.....	Dayton, "
R. H. Dollarhide.....	Salem, "
G. W. Bondurant.....	Reedville, "
R. Pettyjohn.....	Newberg, "
D. J. Goode.....	Aumsville, "
J. A. Goode.....	Aumsville, "
E. I. Harrington.....	Lacomb, "
J. W. Eldredge.....	Sherwood, "
H. J. Blair.....	Beaver, "
W. E. Goode.....	Roseburg, "
H. V. Haslam.....	333 E. 9th St., Portland, "
J. H. Brown.....	Springfield, "
D. M. Cathey.....	Gresham, "
W. J. Johnston.....	Phillips, "
G. W. Wheelon.....	Ross, Wash.
N. C. Mower.....	Blaine, "
C. H. Purcell.....	Scotts Mills, Oregon
O. N. Blair.....	Eugene, "
W. J. Bowerman.....	Sunnyside, "

B. L. Knoll	Clackamas, Oregon
J. M. Reese	Grants Pass, "
Mrs. U. C. Reese	Grants Pass, "
Mrs. Nancy E. Mason	Dayton, "
Mrs. Mary Hickman	Roseburg, "
M. F. Green	Comstock, "
J. H. Bogue	Myrtle Creek, "
A. W. Countryman	Ashland, "
M. D. Wilson	Talent, "
Mrs. Mattie Brown	Springfield, "
M. C. Davis	Golden, "
C. A. Willey	Oregon City, "
A. Lingren	Central, "
P. A. Scott	Shearer Bridge, Wasco, Co., "

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE OREGON CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
PORTLAND DISTRICT											
Portland, Center Addition, Gresham, Pleasant Valley, Hillsdale			\$40 00		\$393 75	\$72 25	\$ 68 00	2	\$3800	1	
West Portland, Zions town, Beaverton, Bethany, Forest Grove					200 00	33 30		1	500		
Sunnyside, Damascus, Oregon City			7 93					2	1700	1	\$650
SALEM DISTRICT											
Salem and Aumsville					60 00	31 57					
Dayton, Newberg, Sherwood			12 00		87 00	40 25		2	1400		
Sheridan and Mill Creek					113 00	13 25					
Scotts Mills and Meadow Brook			3 24		109 00	25 07	5 00				
Fall City and Dallas					14 80	20 00	15 00	1	800	1	300
Sodaville											
Lacomb and Aberdeen			6 64		113 15	9 30		1	500	1	250
TILLAMOOK DISTRICT											
Beaver and Blaine			7 80		75 00	39 12				1	200
EUGENE DISTRICT											
Springfield, Coburg, Thurston			12 50		64 70	36 24		1	450	1	150
Eugene, Irving, Oak Hill						24 00					
Isabel, Wendling, Parson Creek					94 93	30 00	133 39				
Drain, Comstock, Scotts Valley					24 90	18 57					
Roseburg and Myrtle Creek			22 00		18 95	83 92					
Port Oxford and Eagle Point											
Saginaw and Cottage Grove					110 35	62 95					
GRANTS PASS DISTRICT											
Grants Pass and Centennial S H			4 65		102 37	37 89		1	300		
Applegate and Williams Creek					57 25		9 91				
Golden and Merlin						13 39					
Ashland Mission and Medford					60 00	13 54					
Total			\$116 76		\$1699 15	\$604 62	\$231 30	11	\$9450	6	\$1350





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W. A. SELLEW, President.

J. I. COUNCIL, Secretary.

FRANK DUPEE, Assistant Secretary.

W. T. WARREN, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—The president of the conference and the district elders.

On State of the Work—J. F. Garrett, J. I. Council.

On Publications—A. J. McKinney, J. A. Emmert.

On Secret Societies—G. A. Loomis, F. F. Stewart, Marion Fraker.

On Sunday-schools—W. T. Warren, Lizzie R. Lammie, Alice Ruch.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds for Publishing the Minutes—A. J. McKinney.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—Emily Babcock, W. H. Latham,  
G. B. Lane.

On Temperance—G. W. Yoder, Charles Kellogg, H. A. Crouch.

On Memoirs—W. W. Dickson, W. W. Jellison, Frank DuPee, J. A. Hopper.

On Ministerial Relations—J. F. Garrett, J. W. Glazier, J. I. Council, O. H.  
Sampson, W. H. Latham.

On Conference Claimants and Claims—W. A. Sellew, J. F. Garrett, J. I.  
Council, Marion Fraker, H. A. Crouch.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

A. J. McKinney, president for three years; W. W. Jellison, secretary for two  
years; J. A. DaFoe, for one year.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

A. J. McKinney, Frank DuPee, Marion Fraker, J. A. Emmert, J. W. Glazier.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions, Conference Missions, a sum equal to twenty-five  
cents per member, to be forwarded to the district elders, to be applied by  
them where most needed; second quarter, Foreign Missions and Church Ex-  
tension; third quarter, General Superintendents; fourth quarter, Conference  
Claimants.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this  
conference?

### PREACHERS

J. F. Garrett,  
W. T. Warren,  
W. W. Jellison,  
G. W. Staley,  
J. F. Walker,  
C. E. Marsh,  
H. G. Green,

T. H. Vipond,  
W. W. Dickson,  
J. O. Risheill,  
C. B. Langdon,  
P. G. Sandy,  
James Vernon,  
G. W. Yoder.

G. A. Loomis,  
J. W. Glazier,  
J. W. Marshall,  
J. E. Outland,  
Frank DuPee,  
A. J. McKinney,

J. I. Council,  
J. A. DaFoe,  
J. A. Hopper,  
S. G. Roper,  
A. N. Kennedy,  
F. F. Stewart,

### DELEGATES

O. H. Sampson,  
Alice Ruch,  
M. J. Yoder,

J. A. Emmert,  
Emily Babcock,  
W. H. Latham,

Alice Lindsey,  
Charles Kellogg,  
Marion Fraker,

B. L. Calhoun,  
Lizzie R. Lammie,  
H. A. Crouch.

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellw, J. F. Garrett, J. I. Council, Marion Fraker, H. A. Crouch.
3. What preachers are admitted on trial? G. B. Lane, W. Kerby.
4. Who remain on trial? Thomas Larsen.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? G. W. Yoder.
6. Who are the deacons? S. G. Roper, J. F. Walker, P. G. Sandy, F. F. Stewart, H. G. Green, G. W. Yoder, C. E. Marsh, local deacon.
7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? John A. Hopper.
8. Who have located this year? G. W. Staley and C. E. Marsh, at their own request.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? J. W. Marshall, C. B. Langdon.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? T. H. Vipond.
11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? None.
12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? James Vernon withdrawn under charges.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? None.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined, and all but two were passed.
15. Who have died this year? Joseph O. Risheill.
- 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23. See statistical reports.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? T. H. Vipond \$150.00; J. O. Risheill's widow \$50.00
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Colorado Springs, Colorado, as near the first of September, 1902, as will suit the convenience of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The sixteenth annual session was held in the Free Methodist church at Denver, Colorado. General Superintendent W. A. Sellw presided in a very satisfactory manner. The sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered by the president in the opening service. Five sittings were held.

The following visitors were introduced to the conference and invited to honorary seats: B. Winget, missionary secretary; J. W. Edwards of the Platte River conference; W. W. Bruce of the Central Illinois conference; A. G. Galbraith of the Texas conference; W. B. Nixon of the West Iowa conference; J. O. Hockett, a local deacon from within the bounds of the Central Illinois conference, and the pastor of the United Brethren church at Denver. The evening and the Sabbath services, during the session of the conference, were held in the United Brethren church.

The conference voted to supply the work with two traveling district elders, and J. F. Garrett and J. I. Council were re-elected on the first ballot. G. W. Yoder was ordained deacon just before, and J. A. Hopper was ordained elder after, the sermon on Sunday morning.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society held a very interesting and profitable meeting on Sunday afternoon, at which time the Rev. B. Winget delivered a very interesting lecture on India. The district elder of the Southern district was appointed conference librarian. The conference voted a request to the general missionary board for an appro-



priation of five dollars per month to the district elder of the Southern district; five dollars per month, each, to the Northern and Southern districts, to be sent to the district elders, for distribution as the interests of the work may demand; and six dollars per month for the Salt Lake City work. The conference also voted that a sum equal to twenty-five cents per member be collected on each circuit and paid to the district elders for conference missions, to be applied by them wherever most needed.

A memorial service for Rev. Joseph O. Risheill was held at ten o'clock, during the sitting Friday morning. The committee on memoirs presented their report, and the president led in prayer.

A rising vote of thanks was tendered the president for the able and impartial manner in which he presided; to Pastor Jellison for his labor in providing places of entertainment, and to the pilgrims and friends for entertaining the conference; to the secretaries, and to the pastor and members of the United Brethren church for the use of their chapel for our services.

## APPOINTMENTS

**NORTHERN DISTRICT.**—J. F. GARRETT, District Elder, 1780 S. Washington St., Denver, Colorado.

Denver .....	A. J. McKinney
Boulder, Erie and Ward .....	J. O. Hockett, supply
Longmont and Loveland .....	J. W. Glazier
Fort Collins and Greeley .....	G. W. Hays, supply
Table Rock and Husted .....	G. B. Lane
Fondis and Bijou Basin .....	J. F. Walker
Peyton and Ramah .....	To be supplied
Falcon and Franceville ....	G. A. Loomis, 623 N. Walnut St., Colorado Springs, Colorado
Colorado Springs .....	W. T. Warren, 206 Cheyenne Ave., Colorado Springs, Colorado
Colorado City .....	Hattie J. Handyside, supply
Woodland Park and Divide .....	Thomas Larson, Woodland Park, Colorado
Leadville .....	To be supplied
Salt Lake City and Ogden .....	S. G. Roper
Hill Top and Parkers .....	H. J. Starkey, supply, Hill Top, Colorado
Delta and Crawford .....	J. A. Jameson, supply

W. W. Dickson, conference missionary; C. B. Langdon, supernumerary; J. A. DaFoe, conference evangelist.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT.**—J. I. COUNCIL, District Elder.

Fountain .....	W. W. Jellison, Fountain, Colorado
Pueblo .....	Frank DuPee, 310 Spring St., Pueblo, Colorado
Chico and Rocky Ford .....	G. W. Yoder, Nyberg, Colorado
Beaver Creek and Williamsburg .....	W. B. Kerby, Williamsburg, Colorado
Canon City .....	A. G. Galbraith, supply
Wet Mountain Valley .....	To be supplied
Howard .....	F. F. Stewart, Howard, Colorado
Salida and Coaldale .....	P. G. Sandy, Howard, Colorado
San Luis Valley .....	To be supplied
Pine River and Hesperus .....	J. A. Hopper, Bayfield, Colorado
Cripple Creek .....	To be supplied
Trinidad .....	H. G. Green

T. H. Vipond, superannuated, Hillside, Colorado; J. W. Marshall, supernumerary, Howard, Colorado; J. E. Outland and A. N. Kennedy, left without appointment.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON MEMOIRS.

Again we are called upon to chronicle the visitation of death in our ranks.

Joseph O. Risheill, one of the oldest members of our body, will respond no more to our annual conference roll call.

Brother Risheill was born near Pottsville, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, February 3, 1828. He was brought to the Lord in early childhood and joined the Methodist Episcopal church. In 1876 he united with the Free Methodist church and shortly afterward came to Kansas where he began preaching the gospel in 1881. He preached in Kansas and Colorado most of the time since until his decease which occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Walz, in Russell county, Kansas, June 29, 1901. Waving his hand as his spirit was about to depart and be with Christ his last words were, "All is right." He leaves a wife, three daughters and one son to mourn their loss.

"Servant of God, well done!

Thy glorious warfare's past;  
The battle's fought, the race is won,  
And thou art crowned at last;  
Redeemed from earth and pain,  
Ah! when shall we ascend,  
And all in Jesus' presence reign,  
With our translated friend?"

### II.—ON SECRET SOCIETIES.

We, your committee on secret societies, beg leave to make the following report: Secret societies are a great hindrance to the work of God. They are idolatrous in their teachings, and sacrilegious in their worship. Some of them exclude the name of Christ and do not even recognize the Christian era. What is said of the leading ones, can be largely said of all. They have an influence over their subjects that is unaccountable only as we look at it under the dominion of sin. Ministers have been known to close revival services, and lay members have frequently been known to be absent from prayer meeting in order to attend the lodge. Husbands have been taken from the sick bed on such occasions. Many have adopted the teachings of their order as their standard of religion. Many of their authors have declared that their tenets were sufficient to translate a man from earth to glory; and in their rituals all are delivered from eternal punishment and landed in glory. The most deplorable of all is the fact that societies of this kind are on the increase, and your committee desire to impress upon the members of this conference that this warfare is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

### III.—ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The influence of the Sunday-school is manifestly for the elevation and preservation of morals. An infidel living for thirty years in a community of New England stated that he had noticed that children and young people who attended Sunday-school were never among those sent from that section to the penitentiary for crime, or to jail for misconduct. We believe this is more generally the case than we are aware. Many parents who are not Christians recognize the beneficial influence of the Sunday-school and are anxious that their children should attend. But the moral influence of Sunday-schools should be secondary only, as higher results should be our aim, viz.: salvation and evangelization. The word of God is a savor of life, "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul," and this word used in the Sunday-school should be expected to produce practical and immediate results. Convictions of right and duty should be born, and a regime of rules for conduct should be formed. These results will ensue if the Sunday-school is what it is possible to make it. If the results are less than these, we should examine ourselves, our workers, our methods and our prayers. Our Sunday-school attendants make up a congregation to which spiritual ministry is both necessary and possible. We are in as much, or more danger, from formality in the Sunday-school as in our other public meetings, and if we fail to recognize the Sunday-school as a mission field from which to recruit our church membership, we will suffer in future years. Ideals are, probably, hardly to be realized, but something approaching them should be aimed at, expected and attained.

Our officers and teachers should be the best and most spiritual available, and our literature, that of our own church publications. We need a revival among the older people of our church in the matter of attendance upon and interest in the Sunday-school. In many places a few are left with the whole burden of management, teaching and support of the Sunday-school. This should not be. Promptness in all the duties is essential to good work. Dragging kills. The singing should be lively and spiritual.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE COLORADO CONFERENCE

NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER										Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missions	
NORTHERN DISTRICT																											
J. F. Garrett, District Elder																											
Denver.....	80	18	98	2	4	1	14	100	18	\$20 00	\$11 50	\$16 00	\$10 00	\$6 50													
Boulder, Erie and Ward.....	12	5	17	1	1	5	30	3	4	29	234	3 25	1 95	1 30													
Longmont and Loveland.....	9	1	10	1	2	12	50	3	1	80	1 20	1 50	1 00	50													
Table Rock.....	4	1	5	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	33	3 25	1 00	40													
Hill Top and Parker.....	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	18	25	15	10													
Peyton and Ramah.....	6	6	12	6	6	6	6	6	4	99	54	75	45	27													
Falcon and Franceville.....	14	4	18	6	6	6	6	6	3	3 60	54	75	45	27													
Colorado Springs.....	50	11	61	1	1	1	9	60	10	15 20	8 30	5 54	6 90	1 20													
Canon City.....	3	1	4	1	1	1	5	50	2	1 65	30	1 25	75	53													
Woodland Park and Florissant.....	3	5	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 65	32	1 25	75	50													
Leadville.....	5	5	10	5	5	5	5	5	1	1 65	32	1 25	75	50													
Husted and Edgerton.....	3	5	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 65	32	1 25	75	50													
Salt Lake and Ogden.....	3	5	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	99	54	75	45	30													
SOUTHERN DISTRICT																											
J. I. Council, District Elder																											
Fountain.....	16	9	25	1	1	6	15	4	3	80	2 76	2 25	15	1 32													
Chico and Rocky Ford.....	9	2	11	2	2	1	4	35	2	2 10	1 25	1 75	1 05	70													
Beaver Creek and Williamsburg.....	17	1	18	2	1	1	6	30	2	5 50	3 70	4 25	2 80	1 40													
Canon City.....	17	1	18	2	1	1	6	30	2	5 50	3 70	4 25	2 80	1 40													
Wet Mountain.....	16	2	18	1	1	8	80	4	3	42	3 42	2 85	2 85	2 18													
Wet Mountain Valley.....	17	1	18	2	1	1	6	30	2	5 50	3 70	4 25	2 80	1 40													
Howard and Coalale.....	16	2	18	1	1	8	80	4	3	42	3 42	2 85	2 85	2 18													
San Luis Valley.....	8	8	16	8	8	8	8	8	2	40	1 44	1 44	1 36	80													
Pine River and Hesperus.....	17	1	18	2	1	1	6	30	2	5 50	3 70	4 25	2 80	1 40													
Pueblo.....	18	1	19	1	1	5	30	4	3	95	2 45	6 25	3 00	1 50													
Cripple Creek.....	18	1	19	1	1	5	30	4	3	95	2 45	6 25	3 00	1 50													
Trinidad.....	18	1	19	1	1	5	30	4	3	95	2 45	6 25	3 00	1 50													
Del Norte and Saguache.....	18	1	19	1	1	5	30	4	3	95	2 45	6 25	3 00	1 50													
J. E. Outland.....																											
Collection taken at conference to make up deficiency.....																											
Total.....	303	49	352	9	8	14	91	555	81	\$92 70	\$55 62	\$38 64	\$46 35	\$30 90													
† J. W. Marshall served this charge the first eight months of the conference year.																											

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## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE COLORADO CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
NORTHERN DISTRICT						*\$41 18					
Denver.....		\$5 00	\$108 00	\$5 00	\$589 27	100 00	\$107 85	1	\$1800		
Boulder, Erie and Ward.....			23 50		200 00	27 05		1	250		
Longmont and Loveland.....	\$6 00		13 00		200 00	31 56					
Table Rock.....					69 45	24 60					
Hill Top and Parker.....						2 00					
Peyton and Ramah.....					53 77	9 41					
Falcon and Franceville.....					135 00	35 00	4 00			1	\$175
Colorado Springs.....			34 00		503 33	90 25		1	3000	1	700
Colorado City.....			15 00		60 00	16 25					
Woodland Park and Florissant.....					194 66	17 44		1	800	1	200
Leadville.....						7 70					
Husted and Edgerton.....					84 92	25 00	23 00				
Salt Lake and Ogden.....			18 23		113 06	25 40	10 40	1	1000	1	300
SOUTHERN DISTRICT						*\$29 65					
Fountain.....			13 00		141 00	37 87		1	1000	1	800
Chico and Rocky Ford.....	2 00			35	240 70	40 40	29 20			1	
Beaver Creek and Williamsburg..					112 00	21 43	1 25				
Canon City.....		1 00	18 24		270 70	47 12		1	1500	1	1000
West Mountain Valley.....						43 05					
Howard and Coaldale.....			25 28		287 85	55 10		1	800	1	500
San Luis Valley.....					238 33	24 95					
Pine River and Hesperus.....			16 00		175 00	52 90		1	550		
Pueblo.....			18 67		351 02	49 00		1	1000	1	200
Cripple Creek.....											
Trinidad.....						5 65					
Del Norte and Saguache.....						1 25					
Total.....	\$8 00	\$6 00	\$302 92	\$5 35	\$3990 06	\$861 21	\$175 70	10	\$11700	9	\$3875

\* Miscellaneous receipts.



# OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Third Annual Session, held near Cashion, O. T., August 28-31, 1901

## PREACHERS

W. A. SELLEW, President.

A. J. DONALDSON, Secretary.

GEORGE SEACORD, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellaw, J. L. Brown.

To Receive Home, Foreign and General Mission Funds—Henry Evinger.

To Raise Funds for Publishing the Minutes—James Wright.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—George Seacord.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—T. H. Allen.

To Receive Children's and Educational Funds—Mrs. C. M. Baker.

To Receive Church Extension Fund—David Dickinson.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—David Dickinson, J. L. Brown.

On Reforms—T. H. Allen, George Blakely.

On Sunday-schools—Maggie Moore, A. Maker.

On Education—C. E. Harroun, Jr., James Wright.

On the State of the Work—C. E. Harroun, Jr., George Seacord.

On Publications—J. L. Brown, A. J. Donaldson.

On Conference Claims and Claimants—C. E. Harroun, Jr., T. H. Allen, George Seacord, James Wright.

To Examine Local Preachers Who Are Recommended to be Ordained—T. H. Allen, A. Maker.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

T. H. Allen, chairman; A. J. Donaldson, secretary; George Seacord, treasurer;  
J. L. Brown, James Wright.

## BOARD OF CONFERENCE EXAMINERS

C. E. Harroun, Jr., T. H. Allen, J. L. Brown.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions and Church Extension; second quarter, General Superintendents' claim; third quarter, Conference Claimants' fund; fourth quarter, Home Missions, Delegates' Expenses to the General Conference and Foreign Missions.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

C. E. Harroun, Sr.,

C. E. Harroun, Jr., J. L. Brown,

A. J. Donaldson.

### DELEGATES

James Jordan,  
Maggie Moore,  
George Seacord.

George W. Blakely,  
Mrs. Mary Dallor,  
James Wright,  
David Dickinson,

Mrs. C. M. Baker,  
Henry Evinger,

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellaw, C. E. Harroun, Jr., George Seacord.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? None.
4. Who remain on trial? M. Wright, C. W. VanTreese, W. E. McWilliams.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? Slade Freer.
6. Who are the deacons? A. J. Donaldson, Slade Freer.
- 7, 8, 9. No business.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn out preachers? C. E. Harroun, Sr.
11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? T. H. Allen and F. H. Smith from the West Iowa conference, and A. Maker from the Wabash conference.
- 12, 13. No business.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. Who have died this year? None.
- 16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical report.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? C. E. Harroun (superannuated) \$150.00; Mrs. Thelia Champion and son \$25.00.
22. What amount is necessary for us to raise toward defraying the expenses of delegates to the general conference? No amount was set.
23. No report.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? The place to be determined by the district elders; time as near the middle of October, 1902, as may be consistent with the plans of the general superintendents.

## APPOINTMENTS

### GUTHRIE DISTRICT.—C. E. HARROUN, JR., District Elder.

Guthrie and Campbell.....	J. L. Brown
Waterloo and Stockade.....	A. Maker
Roseville and Dewey S. H.....	F. D. North, supply
Fallis, Oak Grove and Eagle Creek.....	George Blakely, supply
Norman and Oklahoma City.....	To be supplied

### PONCA DISTRICT.—C. E. HARROUN, JR., District Elder.

Ponca, Tonkawa and Stony Point.....	M. Wright
Shafter, Perkins and Stillwater.....	W. E. McWilliams
Perry, White Rock and Danvill.....	C. W. VanTreese

### ENID DISTRICT.—T. H. ALLEN, District Elder.

Enid, Garber and Waukomis.....	C. Mattenly, supply
Coldwater and Canyon Ridge.....	To be supplied
Deer Creek and Satchel Valley.....	Slade Freer
Prairie Queen.....	Richard Shoup, supply
C. E. Harroun, Sr., superannuated.	

### KINGFISHER DISTRICT.—T. H. ALLEN, District Elder.

Cashion and Bethel.....	A. J. Donaldson
Elreno.....	F. H. Smith
Hennessy and Dover.....	J. H. Brittain, supply

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## I.—STATE OF THE WORK.

Your committee on the state of the work desire to present the following as its report:

1. The year now closing has been one of manifest prosperity to our Zion. The work of soul-saving has advanced among us. Sinners have been soundly converted and believers entirely sanctified. New classes have been organized and old ones enlarged.

2. The spirit of aggressiveness is growing among us. But still there is room for improvement; especially is this true among the local preachers. We fear they do not regard, as they should, the solemn obligation they are under to preach the word, if so be God has called them to preach the gospel.

3. Christian love and unity prevail among us. No pique, no questionable doctrine, no fanatical tangent, no unseemly practice exists within our borders. Neither is the peace and harmony that of death and the grave, but that of the "love of God shed abroad in our hearts, by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."

4. The past year has brought to us many new opportunities. The cry from Macedonia is being heard all around, "Come over and help us." In city and country the arms of hungry and thirsty souls are stretched out to us for aid. The cries are so numerous we cannot respond to them all without reinforcements. The field is ripe for evangelistic effort. A suitable evangelist could find enough work for all the year. We know of no field in which the General Missionary Board could use a fair portion of its funds to better advantage, than to aid in promoting vital godliness in this new territory. We trust the General Missionary Board will appropriate the sum asked by this conference to help in promoting the work within the bounds of the Oklahoma conference.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No. of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Personages	Value of Personage Property
PONCA DISTRICT											
Perry, White Rock, Newhope.....	\$5 35		\$12 20	\$ 50	\$207 30	\$26 98	\$40 00				
Ponca, Tonkawa, Burton.....			46 95		195 50	47 19	50 00			1	\$500
Clarkson.....											
Shafter, Stillwater, Jennings.....			9 43		98 84	35 59					
ENID DISTRICT											
Coldwater and Canyon Ridge.....			15 00		301 09	57 98					
Deer Creek and Prairie Queen.....		\$1 00			288 84	46 00	22 75			1	120
Enid and Garber.....	50				206 79	32 67	10 00				
GUTHRIE DISTRICT											
Stockade and Edmond.....			7 95		74 48	21 35					
Norman and Choctaw City.....						10 77					
Chandler, Eagle Creek, Rossville.....	50				157 28	20 57	5 30				
Guthrie.....			1 74		7 00						
KINGFISHER DISTRICT											
Pleasant View and Cashion.....			22 36		250 00	55 65		1	\$800		
Total.....	\$6 35	\$1 00	\$115 61	\$ 50	\$1787 12	\$354 75	\$128 05	1	\$800	2	\$620

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

GUTHRIE, PONCA, ENID AND KINGFISHER DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free- Methodist" taken	Conference Claim-	General Superin-	Conference Mis-	General Missions	Church Extension	Delegates to Gen-	Foreign Mission	Woman's Foreign
PONCA DISTRICT	C. E. Harroun, Jr., Dist. Elder																
	Perry, White Rock, Newhope	37	4	41	2	1	6	15	8	\$9 30	\$3 98	\$3 10	\$4 65	\$3 10			
	Ponca, Tonkawa, Burton	24	5	29	3	2	8	100	9	4 00	2 88	1 60		1 80			
	Clarkson	3								10 00	54	80	45	1 80			
	Shafter, Stillwater, Jennings	38	6	44	3	1	8	50	9	12 25	6 30	3 50	5 25	3 50			\$19 19
ENID DISTRICT	C. E. Harroun, Jr., Dist. Elder																
	Coldwater and Canyon Ridge	17		17	3	2	12	60	6	3 85	1 98	1 10	1 65	1 10			13 25
	Deer Creek and Prairie Queen	28	18	46	1	1			14	5 70	8 42	3 35	2 85	1 90		\$10 29	5 50
	Enid and Garber	22		22	1				9	5 95	3 06	1 70	2 55	1 70		96	3 00
GUTHRIE DISTRICT	C. E. Harroun, Jr., Dist. Elder																
	Stockade and Edmond	12	1	13					4	4 00	1 92	1 00	1 00	1 00		2 55	
	Norman and Choctaw City	10		10	2												
	Chandler, Eagle Creek, Rossville	17	1	18	2	1			8	5 95	3 06	1 70	2 55	1 70		1 00	
	Guthrie	7	2	9	3	1	4	15									
KINGFISHER DISTRICT	C. E. Harroun, Jr., Dist. Elder																
	Pleasant View and Cashon	35	3	38		2	9	46	9	9 90	5 94	3 30	4 95	3 30			50 10
Total		250	40	290	15	5	9	47	135	76	\$61 80	\$33 08	\$20 65	\$25 90	\$19 10	\$14 80	\$91 04



# NEBRASKA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twelfth Annual Session, held at Oakdale, Nebraska, August 28-31, 1901.

## OFFICERS

B. R. Jones, President.

O. L. BARNES, Secretary.

IRA C. GRABILL, Assistant Secretary.

MINNIE A. BEERS, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—B. R. Jones, E. Ballenger, Sidney Mills.

On Publications—P. H. Arlington, Wm. McElfresh.

On Reforms—E. E. Hatfield, P. H. Arlington, S. Mills, T. T. McCall.

On Education—E. Ballenger, Minnie A. Beers, Wm. McElfresh.

On Sunday-schools—J. A. Finch, E. J. Phillips.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—P. H. Arlington, T. T. McCall.

To Raise Funds for Publishing the Minutes—T. T. McCall.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Conference Claims and Claimants—B. R. Jones, E. Ballenger, Sidney Mills, E. J. Phillips, W. S. Berry.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

E. Ballenger, president; O. L. Barnes, secretary; Wm. McElfresh, treasurer; J. A. Finch, W. S. Berry.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

E. Ballenger, president; O. L. Barnes, secretary; P. H. Arlington.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Conference and General Missions; second quarter, General Superintendents' Claim; third quarter, Church Extension and Foreign Missions; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants' and Delegates' Expenses to General Conference.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

P. H. Arlington,  
J. B. Davis,  
L. E. Barnes,

E. Ballenger,  
Sidney Mills,  
E. E. Hatfield,

John Wilson,  
A. J. Houver,  
O. L. Barnes,

W. W. Harris,  
J. E. Evans,  
J. A. Finch.

### DELEGATES

Laura Northrup,  
T. T. McCall,  
Minnie A. Beers,  
B. J. Holman,  
J. Wells,

J. P. Johnson,  
Jane Birch,  
Kate Hurst,  
H. L. Trussler,  
Emma Evans.

Wm. McElfresh,  
U. S. Millikan,  
W. S. Berry,  
George Andrews,

A. Prettyman,  
Mrs. F. S. Hatfield,  
E. J. Phillips,  
H. Stebbins,

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. R. Jones, E. Ballenger, Sidney Mills, E. J. Phillips, W. S. Berry.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? E. E. Dillon, R. P. Dieter.

4. Who remain on trial? H. Allgor, A. S. McClure, F. J. Atkinson, Ira C. Grabill.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

6. Who are the deacons? A. J. Houver, J. E. Evans, L. E. Barnes.
7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? E. E. Hatfield, O. L. Barnes.
8. Who have located this year? D. C. Sparks.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? J. B. Davis, Sidney Mills, A. J. Houver.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? W. W. Harris, John Wilson.
- 11, 12. None.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? S. T. Robinson.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation, etc.? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. Who have died this year? None.
- 16-23. See statistical report.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next session of conference be held? At Fremont, Nebraska, as near the middle of August, 1902, as will suit the convenience of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Conference convened on the camp ground one mile east of Oakdale, Nebraska. The location proved to be a beautiful and commodious one, on the banks of the Elkhorn river.

There were four sittings of the conference. General Superintendent B. R. Jones presided. A vote of thanks was tendered the president for the able and efficient manner in which he presided over the conference.

E. E. Hatfield and O. L. Barnes were ordained elder Thursday afternoon and Wm. McElfresh and F. W. Quass, two local preachers, were ordained deacon Sunday afternoon.

The Rescue Home of Omaha was duly represented and a collection of \$12.30 was taken for its support.

Rev. J. W. Thomas of the Platte River conference and financial agent of the Orleans Seminary, was introduced to the conference and invited to an honorary seat. A collection amounting to \$41.00 in cash and subscriptions was taken for the seminary.

On Saturday afternoon a meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was held. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. S. E. Perrigo, president, Omaha, Nebraska; Miss Minnie A. Beers, corresponding secretary, Concord, Nebraska; Miss Lillie Adams, recording secretary, Basin, Nebraska; Mrs. O. L. Barnes, treasurer, Omaha, Nebraska.

R. F. Johnston of the West Iowa conference and T. W. Rutledge of the Missouri conference took work among us.

A home mission collection, amounting to 15 cents per member, was ordered to be taken and sent to the district elder of the Norfolk and Butte districts.

## APPOINTMENTS

LINCOLN DISTRICT.—E. BALLENGER, District Elder, Box 976, Lincoln, Neb.  
 Lincoln..... R. P. Deiter, 1117 North Thirtieth street, Lincoln, Nebraska  
 Yutan and Bethel..... R. F. Johnston, supply, Yutan, “  
 Wahoo and Ceresco..... F. W. Quass, supply, Yutan, “  
 Nebraska City and Tecumseh... Ira C. Grabill, 1417 Second ave., Nebraska City, “

Wymore.....T. W. Rutledge, supply, Wymore, Nebraska  
 Belvidere.....To be supplied  
 York.....To be supplied

P. H. Arlington, conference evangelist, Wahoo, Neb.; S. T. Robinson, given certificate of standing with a view to transfer to Platte River conference; A. J. Houwer, J. B. Davis, supernumerary; D. C. Sparks, given certificate of location at his own request; John Wilson, superannuated without claim; W. W. Harris, superannuated.

#### OMAHA DISTRICT.—E. BALLENGER, District Elder.

Omaha.....O. L. Barnes, 1114 Farnam street, Omaha, Nebraska  
 Louisville, LaPlatte and Weeping Water.....A. S. McClure, Louisville, “  
 Blair and Elk City.....E. E. Hatfield, Blair, “  
 Tecumseh and North Bend.....Wm. McElfresh, Cedar Bluffs, “

#### NORFOLK DISTRICT.—J. A. FINCH, District Elder, Oakdale, Nebraska.

Norfolk and Birch.....J. A. Chamberlain, Pierce, Nebraska  
 Oakdale.....J. E. Evans, Oakdale, “  
 Fairview, Clayridge and Petersburg.....T. B. Wilson, supply, Clear Water, “  
 Concord, St. Peters and Morris.....H. Allgor, Concord, “

#### BUTTE DISTRICT.—J. A. FINCH, District Elder.

Inman, South Valley and Orchard.....F. J. Atkinson, Inman, Nebraska  
 Blackbird and Lynch.....Lydia Coen, supply  
 Butte, Riverside and Mt. Zion.....L. E. Barnes, Naper, Nebraska  
 Mills, McClain and Lake View.....L. Laily, supply  
 Newport, Kirkwood and Sandy.....E. E. Dillon, Naper, Nebraska  
 Ainsworth and Johnstown.....To be supplied  
 Sidney Mills, supernumerary.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

Your committee on publications submit the following report: We recognize the importance of pure reading, such as will be helpful to spiritual life. Religious papers and books should be like gospel sermons; containing nothing detrimental to spiritual life and growth. Pure literature is essential to pure character. That which people read goes a long way in determining what they are. The literature found in our homes should be in harmony with the principles we advocate. If we have unity and harmony in our borders it is because we are loyal to the various interests and institutions of the church to which we belong. We are very glad to note that so many of our people take our church paper, yet we realize that many more should take it. Therefore, we urge upon all, both ministers and laymen, to make a greater effort than ever before to put the church paper in every home and to warn the people in general of the danger of literature that does not harmonize with truth and righteousness. We heartily endorse the *Earnest Christian*, a magazine devoted to the spread of scriptural holiness. We are glad to know that our publishing interests are in a good financial condition and that nearly all our Sabbath schools are using our own publications.

### II.—ON EDUCATION.

The subject of Christian education is not one of small import. We are not sufficiently awakened to the dangers that attend our children in the public schools. The impressions received and the bias given the mind in youth is overcome with difficulty, if at all, in later years. It is not enough for the child to receive intellectual and physical training. Spiritual and moral development are essential to the securing the best good of the individual, of so-

ciety, of the home and the church. Whatever the abuses of learning may be, all must recognize the advantages and blessings of an education sanctified to God. We have examples among the chosen of the Lord—instance: Moses, Paul, Luther, Wesley, Roberts. Whatever will increase our usefulness in doing good to all men, and aid us in extending the victories of the cross, it is our duty to employ. Especially should ministers study to show themselves workmen that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. We call upon all our people to rally to the support of the cause of Christian education among us. We rejoice in the successful maintenance and management of Orleans Seminary and commend it to the patronage and support of our people.

### III.—ON REFORMS.

We, your committee on reforms, submit the following report:

**Sabbath Desecration.**—The Sabbath as a day of rest is ignored to an alarming extent. The running of street cars and railroad trains, and the operating of public works are notorious examples. Sunday base ball, picnics and social visiting are a growing evil. Our preachers should give no uncertain sound to the gospel trumpet on this important matter. We, as Free Methodists, believe in keeping the Sabbath.

**The Liquor Traffic.**—Dark, bloody and murderous, the juggernaut of intemperance rears its hideous form and parades through our beautiful country, blighting, withering and cursing our republic. We affirm that the liquor traffic cannot be legalized without sin. The laws of our country are made indirectly by those who cast the ballots. Therefore, the individual who votes to legalize the accursed traffic commits sin. It is a deadly foe to good government, and is carrying its thousands down to destruction yearly. The Free Methodist church should stand out in all her God-given powers against this infernal traffic, and lift up her voice and cast her votes against any and all parties that favor the same.

Romanism is the avowed enemy of liberty, law and order, and is opposed to our free institutions. The bloody and crafty opponents of Protestantism, of vital and practical religion, she is as truly as ever the mother of harlots. We see the need of being on our guard and opposing it in all its branches, while we uphold with the stars and stripes a salvation of liberty, law and love. We recommend that those who desire light on the subject subscribe for the *Converted Catholic*, published by Jas. A. O'Connor, 142 West Twenty-first street, New York City.

On the dress question we stand committed as ever against conformity to the world. We are Methodists, and as such we should not follow the fashions of the world. Real Methodists always have been and are now a plain people. We pledge ourselves, therefore, to strictly adhere to our book of Discipline on this vital question. When our people depart from the plain teachings of the word of God as in the wearing of gold and costly array, they should reform, go down before God and have the love of these things taken out of their hearts.

Oath-bound secret societies are rapidly multiplying and spreading their pernicious influences among both sexes. They are like the frogs and lice in Egypt, or the demons in the man among the tombs. Their name is legion. Men in our cities can neither labor, buy nor sell without the mark of the beast. The smaller secret orders are only branch lines of the great Masonic trunk line, that carries its devotees down to the iron gates of the grand lodge below. In order to keep ourselves free to follow God in all things, we must keep out of these deceptive, Christless organizations.

### IV.—ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school is an institution for which we should praise God and feel grateful to the man who was first moved to gather children together on the Sabbath day and give them religious instruction. Parents should insist that their children be in the place appointed for Sabbath-school at the time appointed, and not only so, but be there themselves. They should study the lesson with their children and keep the children with them through



the preaching service. God help the parents of our church to arouse themselves and put on the beautiful garments.

Children are full of life. If we greet them with a cheerful "good morning," and give them the choice of some lively hymn, the Sabbath-school will be the dearest spot on earth to them. We take pleasure in recommending the literature now provided by our publishing house, as being the best that can be obtained. We further recommend the holding of at least one Sabbath-school convention on each district during the conference year.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Person- are Property
LINCOLN DISTRICT											
Lincoln	\$1 00	\$ 35	\$19 04		\$311 50	\$305 17					
Yutan and Bethel			43 35	\$ 50	385 85	40 50		1	\$1000	1	\$1000
Wahoo and Ceresco					102 03	70 58	\$70 00	2	2200	1	800
Nebraska City			6 93		200 00	14 65	59 47			1	600
Wymore		1 05	14 88		300 00	23 29					
Tecumseh						70 16		1	1000	1	500
Belvidere						46 56					
York						19 00					
						13 00					
OMAHA DISTRICT											
Omaha			19 06		278 36	192 37					
La Platte					95 00	68 68	5 39	1	2000		
Blair and Kennard	1 00	1 07	7 13		310 00	36 90		1	1000		
Fremont, Elk City, North Bend			14 20		51 50	50 02	23 85	1	1000	1	600
Louisville					26 00	30 37		1	400		
						8 43	22 55				
NORFOLK DISTRICT											
Birch and Norfolk	61		7 10		135 00	95 31					
Oakdale						21 98	7 00				
Fairview and Clayridge			14 65		123 53	24 98	4 01				
Concord, St. Peters, Morris					23 70	27 24					
Petersburg						11 70					
BUTTE DISTRICT											
Basin and Bonesteel			15 44		249 45	218 94					
Butte and Riverside			4 40		123 45	43 50		1	725	1	200
Kirkwood and Sandy					35 00	92 39	45 00	1	1000		
Mills and Spotted Tail			5 35		99 53	20 65	67 00	1			
Inman, Orchard and Hay Flats					50 00	24 14	11 07	1	525		
Lynch and Niobrara			1 25		55 39	18 04				1	100
						13 09					
Total	\$2 61	\$2 47	\$172 78	\$ 50	\$2966 29	\$811 79	\$315 34	11	\$10850	7	\$3800

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA CONFERENCE

LINCOLN, OMAHA, NORFOLK, AND BUTTE DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Hymnals" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society
LINCOLN DISTRICT	E. Ballenger, District Elder																	
	E. E. Hatfield.....	23	3	26	1	1	2	8	30	6	\$ 6.30	\$3.78	\$2.00	\$3.15	\$1.00	.....	\$3.13	\$23.00
	Yutan and Bethel.....	31	1	32	1	2	1	12	70	12	8.40	5.04	4.90	4.20	2.80	.....	72	.....
	Wahoo and Ceresco.....	12	3	15	1	1	1	5	20	4	1.80	1.08	2.70	2.70	2.80	.....	.....	.....
	Nebraska City.....	16	1	17	1	1	1	5	39	7	4.62	3.24	4.85	4.85	2.90	.....	.....	.....
	Wymore.....	28	1	29	1	1	1	5	39	7	10.05	6.30	4.85	4.85	2.90	.....	76	.....
OMAHA DISTRICT	E. Ballenger.....	11	2	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	3.00	1.80	1.50	1.50	1.00	.....	48	.....
	Belvidere.....	8	2	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1.80	1.44	1.20	1.20	58	.....	.....	.....
	E. Ballenger.....	6	2	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	E. Ballenger, District Elder																	
NORFOLK DISTRICT	E. Ballenger.....	36	5	41	1	2	1	8	42	6	9.00	5.40	4.50	4.50	3.00	.....	2.10	2.35
	La Platte.....	14	1	15	1	1	1	4	31	4	2.70	1.62	1.35	1.35	2.10	.....	2.52	.....
	Blair and Kennard.....	21	1	22	1	1	1	5	25	7	6.30	3.78	3.15	3.15	2.10	.....	1.50	.....
	Fremon, Elk City, North Bend.....	14	1	15	1	1	1	5	2	4	4.20	2.52	2.10	2.10	1.40	.....	.....	.....
	Louisville.....	10	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	E. Ballenger.....	10	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
BUTTE DISTRICT	Sidney Mills, District Elder																	
	F. J. Atkinson.....	17	1	18	3	1	4	40	7	6.30	3.78	3.15	3.15	2.10	.....	.....	.....	7.00
	J. E. Evans.....	8	1	9	1	1	1	4	1	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	T. B. Wilson, supply.....	17	1	18	3	1	2	10	40	5	5.94	3.54	2.70	2.70	1.80	.....	.....	.....
	Minnie A. Beers, supply.....	10	1	11	1	1	1	5	2	3.60	2.16	1.80	1.80	1.20	.....	6.00	.....	.....
	Sidney Mills.....	5	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1.65	1.00	.....	.....	1.40	.....	.....	.....
BUTTE DISTRICT	Sidney Mills, District Elder																	
	L. E. Barnes.....	31	6	37	2	2	1	7	42	3	10.52	5.22	4.35	4.35	2.90	.....	6.85	.....
	A. Peterson, supply.....	22	6	28	2	1	1	5	30	4	9.88	3.00	1.75	1.75	1.05	.....	.....	.....
	E. E. Dillman, supply.....	17	4	21	2	2	1	10	57	7	4.90	2.13	2.03	2.03	1.50	.....	.....	.....
	Milton Hartsock, supply.....	17	4	21	2	2	1	10	57	7	4.90	2.13	2.03	2.03	1.50	.....	.....	.....
	Spokane Falls.....	17	4	21	2	2	1	10	57	7	4.90	2.13	2.03	2.03	1.50	.....	.....	.....
	Hay Flats.....	16	2	18	1	1	1	5	35	4	5.28	2.88	2.70	2.70	1.80	.....	.....	.....
	Daniel Barr, supply.....	16	2	18	1	1	1	5	35	4	5.28	2.88	2.70	2.70	1.80	.....	.....	.....
	Henry Allgor.....	16	2	18	1	1	1	5	35	4	5.28	2.88	2.70	2.70	1.80	.....	.....	.....
	Lynch and Niobrara.....	16	2	18	1	1	1	5	35	4	5.28	2.88	2.70	2.70	1.80	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		396	52	448	15	13	19	98	531	97	\$111.14	\$61.14	\$45.93	\$65.45	\$30.42	.....	\$24.06	\$32.35

# NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixteenth Annual Session, held near Columbia City, Indiana,  
August 28-31, 1901.

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

C. E. EDINGER, Secretary.

W. G. HOOVER, Assistant Secretary.

W. G. HOOVER, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, W. T. Loring, D. G. Briggs.

On Publishing the Minutes—C. E. Edinger, W. G. Hoover.

On Education—H. L. Smith, P. S. Shoemaker, W. T. Loring.

On Publications—P. S. Shoemaker, B. J. Vincent, Ellis Mellott.

On Reforms—W. T. Loring, J. W. Needler, C. W. Wade.

On Sunday-schools—C. W. Wade, B. J. Vincent, E. F. Russell.

On State of the Work—W. T. Loring, D. G. Briggs.

To Receive Funds for Home, Foreign and General Missions—H. L. Smith.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—Albert A. Stoll.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—P. S. Shoemaker.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—B. J. Vincent, L. N. Cottrell,  
P. S. Shoemaker.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—H. L. Smith.

To Receive Children's Fund—Anna Mick.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

W. T. Loring, president; U. G. Hoover, secretary; Ellis Mellott, treasurer; C. W. Wade, S. H. Matthews.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

W. T. Loring, for one year; U. G. Hoover, for two years; P. S. Shoemaker, for three years.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Sunday-schools—B. J. Vincent.

On Reforms—M. DaFoe.

On Publications—C. E. Edinger.

On Education—P. S. Shoemaker.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Home Missions, twelve cents; second quarter, Church Extension, ten cents; General Missions, fifteen cents; third quarter, General Superintendents' Fund, — cents; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants' Fund.

## OFFICERS OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Winnie A. Shoemaker, president, Ft. Wayne, Indiana; Anna Mick, vice president, Ft. Wayne, Indiana; Mary DaFoe, recording secretary, De Soto, Indiana; Mary E. Edinger, corresponding secretary, Buckeye, Michigan; Kate Grant treasurer, Columbia City, Indiana.

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## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

## PREACHERS

C. E. Edinger,	U. G. Hoover,	S. H. Matthews,	W. T. Loring,
C. W. Wade,	L. N. Cottrell,	T. J. Loring,	A. F. Godwin,
H. L. Smith,	M. DaFoe,	G. R. Stamp,	J. E. Kemp,
P. S. Shoemaker,	B. J. Vincent.		

## DELEGATES

Ellis Mellott,	Albert A. Stoll,	Daniel Fall,	J. W. Needler,
Sarah Longnecker,	James Thompson,	Anna Mick,	E. F. Russell,
Wesley Smith,	Susan Outerson.		

2. Who are the stationing committee?—E. P. Hart, W. T. Loring, D. G. Briggs.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? James Thompson.

4. Who remain on trial? J. M. Jolly, L. H. Morrison.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? B. J. Vincent.

6. Who are the deacons? H. L. Smith, B. J. Vincent, J. M. Jolly (local).

7, 8, 9, 12. None.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? A. F. Godwin.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? M. DaFoe, from the Michigan conference; G. R. Stamp, from the Columbia River conference.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? D. G. Briggs, J. B. Robinette.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation, etc.? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical report.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? Nancy H. Reynolds, \$35.00; A. F. Godwin, \$50.00

22, 23. Deferred.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Ft. Wayne, Indiana; as near the first Wednesday in September, 1902, as will suit the convenience of the general superintendents.

## APPOINTMENTS

KNOX DISTRICT.—C. W. WADE, District Elder.

Knox and To To	B. J. Vincent, Knox, Indiana
DeMotte	To be supplied
Crown Point and Ross	L. H. Morrison, Crown Point, Indiana
Springville and Bunker Hill	U. G. Hoover, LaPorte, "
Winamac	To be supplied
South Bend	C. E. Edinger, 1115 South Fellows street, South Bend, Indiana
Elkhart	T. J. Loring, Elkhart, "

D. G. Briggs given a letter of standing with a view to transfer to another conference; J. E. Kemp, left without an appointment; H. L. Smith, left without an appointment to attend school.

FT. WAYNE DISTRICT.—W. T. LORING, District Elder.

Ft. Wayne	P. S. Shoemaker, 268 East Creighton avenue, Ft. Wayne, Indiana
Ft. Wayne Mission	To be supplied

Larwill, Lorane and Blue River.....J. M. Jolly, Columbia City, Indiana  
 Forest Chapel.....L. N. Cottrell, Dunfee, "  
 Fremont .....S. H. Matthews, Fremont, "  
 J. B. Robinette given a letter of standing with a view to transfer to another conference ;  
 G. R. Stamp, evangelist.

### UNION CITY DISTRICT.—W. T. LORING, District Elder.

Union City.....James Thompson, Union City, Indiana  
 Muncie and DeSoto.....M. DaFoe, DeSoto, "  
 A. F. Godwin, superannuated.

## EVANGELISTS

Mary E. Edinger.....Buckeye, Michigan  
 Minnie A. Shoemaker.....268 East Creighton avenue, Ft. Wayne, Indiana  
 Adaline Matthews.....Spring Arbor, Michigan  
 Cora A. Edinger.....1115 South Fellows street, South Bend, Indiana  
 George Weninger.....To To, "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$85.80.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' CLAIM.—Assessed and paid, \$51.48.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$32.90.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—\$39.94.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—\$3.00.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE

### FT. WAYNE, UNION CITY AND KNOX DISTRICTS

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
FT. WAYNE DISTRICT											
Ft. Wayne.....		\$5 05	\$42 23		\$461 00	\$64 32		1	\$2000	1	\$500
Forest Chapel and Roanoke.....					224 50	49 46		1	800	1	500
Larwill and Lorane.....					180 00	42 82		2	800		
Fremont and Waterloo.....					127 32	28 26	\$ 7 50	1	200	1	300
UNION CITY DISTRICT											
Union City.....			11 80		199 10	24 00		1	700	1	300
Muncie and De Soto.....	\$3 00		47 50		323 40	49 90	15 00	1	1000	1	500
KNOX DISTRICT											
Knox and To To.....			31 08		290 00	82 00	5 00	2	1675	1	400
Crown Point and Ross.....			21 00		253 00	40 00	32 70	1	800	1	500
Springville and Bunker Hill.....		85	20 02		164 85	44 10		1	1200	1	650
De Motte and Dunville.....			6 00		52 00	12 00					
South Bend.....		3 65	28 15		225 90	35 50					
Elkhart and Pleasant Valley.....			12 75		275 63	27 00	1 50	1	250	1	800
Total.....	\$3 00	\$10 55	\$220 53		\$2776 70	\$499 36	\$31 70	12	\$8825	9	\$4450

All deficits brought up by collection Sabbath morning.



## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE

FT. WAYNE, UNION CITY AND KNOX DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday-Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conf'rence Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
FT. WAYNE DISTRICT																		
Fl. Wayne.....	W. T. Loring, District Elder	39	5	44	3	1	12	87	7	\$9.90	\$5.94	\$3.60	\$4.95	\$3.80	\$8.80		\$8.70	
Forest Chapel and Ronoke.....	P. S. Shoenaker.....	19	19	2	1	9	35	5	5	5.70	3.42	3.80			1.02		1.00	
Larwill and Lorane.....	Etta Pattie.....	25	1	26	3	1	10	25	7	7.50	4.50	1.00	78	60				
Fremont and Waterloo.....	L. N. Cottrell.....	9	9	1	1	1	1	1	4	3.60	2.16	2.40	1.80	1.20				
	J. B. Robinette.....																	
UNION CITY DISTRICT																		
Union City.....	W. T. Loring, District Elder	17	8	25	2	3	1	8	39	2	4.20	1.92	3.60	1.60	90		1.85	
Muncie and De Soto.....	U. G. Hoover.....	41	4	45	1	2	16	90	10	9.30	5.58	6.20	4.65	3.10			5.00	
	C. W. Wade.....																	
KNOX DISTRICT																		
Knox and To To.....	D. G. Briggs, District Elder	53	12	67	2	4	1	11	95	6	18.00	10.80	12.00	38				
Crown Point and Ross.....	B. J. Vincent.....	21	6	27	2	2	12	100	8	6.00	3.60	4.00	3.00	2.00			3.00	
Springville and Bunker Hill.....	J. M. Jolly.....	36	36	1	2	13	62	7	6.70	6.30	7.00	5.25	5.50				4.16	
De Motte and Dunville.....	H. L. Smith.....	5	5	5	1	5	20	3	1.50	90	1.10	1.00	80					
South Bend.....	Mary E. Edinger, supply.....	36	8	44	1	1	5	49	5	3.00	1.80	2.00	1.50	1.00			1.40	
Elkhart and Pleasant Valley.....	C. E. Edinger.....	17	17	1	1	10	24	8	4.20	2.52	3.00	1.15	1.40					
Collection at conference.....	T. J. Loring.....																	\$13.07
Total.....		330	54	374	11	14	14	101	223	68	\$80.60	\$49.44	\$49.90	\$25.96	\$19.42		\$75.91	\$24.03

All deficits brought up by collection Sabbath morning.

# MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Thirty-Seventh Annual Session, held at Adrian, Michigan, August 21-24, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

A. BRADFELD, Secretary.

D. J. VAN ANTWERP, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, P. E. Vincent, J. Baker.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—F. L. Baker.

On Education—G. Laubach, D. S. Warner, J. Craig, J. B. Reed, A. W. Dawson.

On Publications—L. H. Mulholland, G. W. C. Smith, P. E. Vincent.

On Sunday-schools—C. D. Paige, W. S. McDivitt, G. H. Peters.

On Temperance—J. Craig, J. Leisenring, M. U. Gage.

On Secret Societies—W. C. Muffitt, R. L. Seamehorn, A. Schroy.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—I. L. King, J. E. Hale.

On Missions and Missionary Appropriations—The stationing committee.

To Receive Home Mission Fund—L. H. Mulholland.

To Receive General and Foreign Mission Funds—G. H. Peters.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—J. Baker.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—J. N. Boyer.

To Receive Church Extension and Aid Society Funds—I. L. King.

To Receive Educational and Children's Funds—G. Laubach.

On Memoirs—L. H. Mulholland, C. D. Paige.

To Visit Spring Arbor Seminary—G. Laubach, F. L. Baker.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

G. Laubach, for three years; P. E. Vincent, for two years; W. B. Olmstead, for one year.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

A. Bradfield, chairman; P. E. Vincent, secretary; L. H. Mulholland, treasurer; A. Schroy, A. W. Dawson.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Education—D. S. Warner.

On Temperance—L. H. Mulholland.

On Sabbath-schools—W. B. Olmstead.

On Secret Societies—J. Craig.

On Publications—W. C. Muffitt.

## OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

President, Mrs. G. A. Olmstead, Spring Arbor, Michigan; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. H. Belote, Sherwood, Michigan; secretary, Mrs. M. DaFoe, DeSoto, Indiana; treasurer, Miss Kate Martin, Ida, Michigan.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Home and General Missions; second quarter, Conference Claimants'; third quarter, General Superintendents'; fourth quarter, Church Extension and Aid Society.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

H. Sawyer,	A. Bradfield,	P. E. Vincent,	G. W. C. Smith,
B. R. Jones,	F. P. Russell,	S. A. McGee,	L. H. Mulholland,
J. Baker,	R. L. Scamehorn,	W. S. McDivitt,	C. W. Miller,
C. D. Paige,	G. H. Peters,	F. L. Baker,	I. L. King,
J. N. Boyer,	W. S. Mulholland,	M. DaFoe,	J. Leisenring,
W. B. Olmstead,	C. H. Jerome,	G. Laubach,	J. Craig,
W. C. Muffitt,	D. J. Van Antwerp,	D. S. Warner,	M. S. Benn,
A. T. Shumway,			

### DELEGATES

A. W. Dawson,	A. Doonan,	J. Burnett,	C. Bulls,
J. E. Hale,	C. East,	H. Cavill,	S. Ansted,
A. Reppert,	F. E. Benn,	Mrs. Jane Begel,	N. Dibble,
A. Schroy,	J. Palmatier,	M. U. Gage,	S. B. Smith,
A. L. Dewey,	J. B. Reed,	A. West,	E. G. Burt,
E. C. Millen,			

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, J. Craig, F. L. Baker, P. E. Vincent, W. C. Muffitt, L. H. Mulholland, A. West, M. U. Gage, J. B. Reed, J. Palmatier, A. Doonan.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? S. B. Smith.

4. Who remain on trial? J. R. Poet, B. Boone.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? A. T. Shumway.

6. Who are the deacons? D. J. Van Antwerp, A. T. Shumway.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? None.

8. Who have located this year? None.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? S. A. McGee.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? H. Sawyer, A. Bradfield.

11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? D. S. Warner, from the Genesee conference; M. S. Benn, from the West Ontario conference.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? M. S. Benn, M. DaFoe.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16-20. See statistical report.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? H. Sawyer, \$110.00; Mrs. Jennie S. Tiffany, \$25.00; A. Bradfield, \$150.00. The committee on conference claims recommended that Mrs. Jennie S. Tiffany be allowed \$75.00 arrearage for her child.

23. See statistical report.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? At South Haven, Michigan, the last week in August, 1902.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The thirty-seventh session of our conference was held in the Free Methodist church in Adrian, Lenawee county, Michigan, August 21-24. Five sittings were held. A vote of thanks was tendered General Superintendent E. P. Hart for the satisfactory manner in which he presided.

The conference was favored with the presence of the following brethren, who were introduced, and invited to take honorary seats: F. L. Hall and G. A. Olmstead of the Ohio conference; M. L. Bovee of the East Michigan conference.

Mrs. W. E. Bardell of the Children's Home at Woodstock, Illinois, and Miss Emma Appling, a returned missionary from India, were introduced and invited to take honorary seats in the conference.

The indebtedness of \$400 on the parsonage in Adrian, Michigan, was raised in cash and subscriptions. About \$45.25 was given at the missionary service Sunday afternoon, for India, and about \$53.50 was realized in cash and subscriptions for the Children's Home at Woodstock, Illinois. Rev. W. B. Olmstead represented our publishing house, and Prof. D. S. Warner the interests of Spring Arbor Seminary.

A. T. Shumway was ordained deacon.

At the fourth sitting, a memorial service was held for Dr. C. E. Begel.

Rev. J. Baker was untiring in his efforts to care for the members and visitors, for which the conference was thankful.

The conference by a good majority changed from local to traveling district elders.

A collection of \$5.70 was taken for the secretary.

The Church Extension and Aid Society recommended that the general board grant the application of Hillsdale society for \$200.00, and the application of Bethel society for \$100.00.

The stationing committee recommended that the general mission board allow the Hillsdale society \$50.00, provided it is supplied separate from the Frontier and Ransom work; also, that the general mission board allow the Athens, Union City and Battle Creek circuit the sum of \$50.00.

James Craig reported that the legislature had passed an act incorporating the Free Methodist church in Michigan.

## APPOINTMENTS

**SPRING ARBOR DISTRICT.**—L. H. MULHOLLAND, District Elder, Spring Arbor, Michigan.

Spring Arbor.....	D. S. Warner, Spring Arbor, Michigan
Jackson.....	C. D. Paige, 307 East Wilkins street, Jackson, "
Parma.....	To be supplied
Hudson and Woodstock .....	S. B. Smith, Hudson, Michigan

B. R. Jones, general superintendent, 918 Francis street, Jackson, Michigan; W. B. Olmstead, Sunday-school secretary, 14 North May street, Chicago, Illinois; M. S. Benn, granted a certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

**DETROIT DISTRICT.**—L. H. MULHOLLAND, District Elder.

Detroit.....	F. L. Baker, 681 Trombly avenue, Detroit, Michigan
New Boston, Texas and Sand Hill.....	W. S. McDivitt, New Boston, "
Waltz, Carlton and Sumpter.....	A. T. Shumway, Waltz, "
Milan and Raisinville.....	G. Laubach, Milan, "
Temperance, Ida and Whiteford.....	G. H. Peters, Temperance, "
Blissfield, Petersburg, Town Line and Prairie.....	J. R. Poet, Blissfield, "
Ridgeway, Holloway and Wellsville.....	J. B. Robinette, supply, Britton, "
Adrian and Madison.....	J. Baker, 120 Frank street, Adrian, "
Jasper and Deming's Lake.....	G. Dean, supply, Jasper,

H. Sawyer, superannuated, Azalia, Michigan; C. H. Jerome, left without an appointment at his own request; M. DaFoe, granted a certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

**COLDWATER DISTRICT.**—W. C. MUFFITT, District Elder, Spring Arbor, Mich. Dorrance, Coldwater, Bethel and Algansee..... R. L. Scamehorn, Dorrance, Michigan Frontier, Ransom and Hillsdale..... P. E. Vincent, Frontier, Michigan; one to be supplied Sherwood and Colon..... I. L. King, Sherwood, Michigan Athens, Union City and Battle Creek..... D. J. Van Antwerp, Ada Van Antwerp, supply. Athens, Michigan Eckford..... To be supplied J. Leisenring, conference evangelist, Lickley's Corners, Michigan.

**KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.**—W. C. MUFFITT, District Elder. Kalamazoo..... J. Craig, 836 First street, Kalamazoo, Michigan. South Haven..... C. W. Miller, South Haven. " Lawrence, Hartford and Glendale..... W. S. Mulholland, Lawrence. " Decatur and Keeler..... G. W. C. Smith, Decatur. " Watervliet, Fish school-house and Hagar..... J. N. Boyer, Coloma. " Bainbridge, Pipestone, Royaltown and Benton Harbor..... B. Boone, Benton Harbor, Territorial Road, Michigan A. Bradfield, superannuated, Decatur, Michigan; S. A. McGee, supernumerary, Vermontville, Michigan; F. P. Russell, conference evangelist, South Haven, Michigan.

## EVANGELISTS

Mary Knecht, annual conference evangelist..... Coldwater, Michigan Josephine Holden, annual conference evangelist..... Quincy. " Mrs. Clara Smith, quarterly conference evangelist..... South Haven. " Mrs. Grace Teachout, quarterly conference evangelist..... Bethel. " Mrs. Sarah Smith, quarterly conference evangelist..... Decatur. " Mrs. Ada Van Antwerp, quarterly conference evangelist..... Athens. "

## LOCAL DEACONS AND ELDERS

Goldsmith Dean..... Jasper, Michigan James Linn..... Britton. " John Mains..... Homer. " Lewis E. Chase..... Jackson. " William McKay..... Spring Arbor. " Benjamin Mark..... Decatur. " G. H. Thompson..... Blissfield. " L. L. Warner..... Tipton. " Jacob Shaeffer..... Mendon. " E. C. Millen..... Bangor. " William Simpkins..... Dorrance. " A. L. Dewey..... Addison. "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

HOME MISSIONS.—Amount raised, \$131.00.

Disbursed by conference treasurer before conference session, \$30.00. Appropriated to J. B. Robinette, \$15.00; J. N. Boyer, \$10.00; A. Bradfield, \$10.00; B. Boone,



\$20.00; G. Dean, \$10.00; W. S. Mulholland, \$10.00; J. Craig, \$10.00; J. R. Poet, \$5.00; P. E. Vincent, \$6.00; W. S. McDivitt, \$5.00. Total, \$131.00.

It is recommended that \$20.00 be appropriated to the Bainbridge, Pipestone, Royalton and Benton Harbor circuit for the ensuing year; also, that \$20.00 be appropriated to the Hudson and Woodstock circuit for the coming year. We further recommend that our conference request the general missionary board to grant \$50.00 to the Athens, Union City and Battle Creek circuit, and \$50.00 to the Hillsdale charge.

It is recommended to raise an amount equal to fifteen cents per member for conference missions the coming year, and that this claim be raised during the first quarter and sent to the conference treasurer, L. H. Mulholland, Spring Arbor, Michigan.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Apportioned and paid, \$133.05.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Apportioned, \$88.70.

Amount paid, \$87.20. Deficit, \$1.50. Total \$88.70.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Apportioned and paid, \$275.91.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Apportioned and paid, \$159.66.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Amount paid, \$62.99.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Monroe district, \$8.70; Spring Arbor district, \$41.57; Coldwater district, \$33.60; Detroit district, \$21.68; Kalamazoo district, \$4.64. Total, \$182.19.

TO PUBLISH THE MINUTES.—Amount collected, \$22.80.

## II.—ON EDUCATION.

"He is educated best who is educated in the most necessary things." Education involves the true development of the physical, mental and spiritual powers in their varied relations to the final destiny of man. Educated conscientiousness and educated intellect—a dual unit—is the only safe foundation for a government. To make a symmetrical man or woman, the moral nature must be developed side by side with the intellectual.

We should stand by our schools with our voice, means and influence. In the providence of God the Spring Arbor Seminary was established within our borders nearly thirty years ago. We gratefully acknowledge the good it has already accomplished, and we pledge ourselves to rally earnestly to its aid.

## III.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

The *Free Methodist* stands among the very best religious journals in the land and is deserving of a much more extended circulation. Its clean and able columns ought to be read by many more than they are. Other publications worthy of our patronage are the Sunday-school literature put out by our publishing house. We would recommend *Missionary Tidings*, the *Earnest Christian*, *Olive Branch* and our own seminary representative, the *Spring Arbor Chronicle*.

## IV.—ON SECRET SOCIETIES.

As a church we have taken and maintained a decided stand against this foe of the church. It is no time now to be silent when oath bound secret societies are increasing on every side among both sexes.

We believe the religion of the Bible a satisfying portion for every soul on every line, and that those who dare to venture all upon it "shall not be confounded or want any good thing." Let us continue from the pulpit and press to cry aloud, "Wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you," and that this must be complied with in order to have the favor of God.

## V.—ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Every department of church work should have our hearty support, and especially the Sunday-school. We believe it is not best to leave the matter of attendance to the choice of

the child. We should be more interested in imparting to the children the knowledge of God and the Bible, "for wisdom is better than rubies, and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to her." We recommend that our schools use only our own Sunday-school supplies.

### STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

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SPRING ARBOR DISTRICT											
Spring Arbor.....			\$49 39		\$300 00			1			
Jackson.....			21 27		327 59			1	\$2050	1	\$1525
Parma.....					92 33			1	350		
Hudson, Woodstock, Jefferson.....					269 93			2	1500	1	600
DETROIT DISTRICT											
Detroit.....	\$1 70		25 00	\$1 50	531 22		\$22 74	1	3500	1	2500
New Boston, Texas, Sand Hill.....			13 71		*215 05	\$ 4 00	14 08	2	1750	1	300
Waltz, Carlton, Sumpter, Ypsilanti.....			12 00	1 00	233 61			2	1500	1	300
MONROE DISTRICT											
Temperance, Ida, Whiteford, etc.....			58 76		417 10			3	2500	1	700
Blissfield, Petersb'g, Town Line, etc.....					200 00			4	2500		
Milan and Raisinville.....			40 00		435 00			4	2000	1	900
Ridgeway, Holloway, Wellsville.....	\$1 90		30 00		412 45			3	2800	1	600
Adrian.....			13 78		375 40	12 62	11 20	1	1000	1	1200
Jasper, Madison, Deming's Lake.....			15 00		340 62	25 88	14 00	2	1600	1	800
COLDWATER DISTRICT											
Dorrance, Coldwater, Bethel, etc.....			36 56		303 40			4	3200	1	500
Hillsdale, Grey's Lake, Frontier, etc.....	1 00		25 12		425 00			2	2000	1	800
Sherwood, Colon, Athens.....			13 21		302 48		30 75	2	1600	1	800
Eckford.....								1	500		
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT											
Kalamazoo and Battle Creek.....			47 68		450 00	5 03	42 20	1	1600	1	500
South Haven.....			15 00		364 00			1	1500		
Lawrence, Hartford, Keeler, etc.....			10 00		251 53	10 00		3	1800	1	600
Decatur.....			13 00		160 00	12 00		1	900		
Watervliet, Fish S. H. and Hagar.....	2 00	\$1 50	35 00	20	360 00	18 15		2	1600		
Bainbridge, Pipestone, Royalton, etc.....		55	7 00		83 40	11 98		3	1700		
Total.....	\$4 70	\$3 95	\$481 48	\$1 70	\$6940 11	\$99 66	\$134 97 46		\$39250	15	\$13150

\* Of this amount G. Dean received \$26.39.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

SPRING ARBOR, DETROIT, MONROE, COLDWATER AND KALAMAZOO DISTRICTS

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W. S. McDavitt.....																															
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DETROIT DISTRICT																															
F. L. Baker, District Elder																															
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C. H. Jerome.....																															
W. A. Walton, Sumpter, Ypsilanti.....																															
A. T. Shumway.....																															
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Rainbridge, Pipestone, Royalton, etc.....																															
J. N. Boyer.....																															
B. Boone.....																															
Total.....																															

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SUNDAY SCHOOL QUARTERLIES, SUNDAY SCHOOL PAPERS, LESSON PICTURE CARDS, LESSON PICTURE CHARTS, SCRIPTURE TEXT CARDS, FLORAL CARDS, SUNDAY SCHOOL LIBRARIES, SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' CLASS BOOKS, SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S RECORDS, COLLECTION ENVELOPES, HELPS ON THE STUDY OF THE LESSON, SONG BOOKS, TEACHERS' BIBLES, TEXT BIBLES, POCKET BIBLES, TESTAMENTS, COMMENTARIES, BIBLE DICTIONARIES, CONCORDANCES, BIBLE STORY BOOKS, GIFT BOOKLETS, REWARD BOOKS, STANDARD RELIGIOUS WORKS, JUVENILES, SCIENTIFIC WORKS, WORKS OF REFERENCE, ENCYCLOPEDIAS, DICTIONARIES, BIBLE GEOGRAPHIES, BIBLE ATLAS, BIBLE HISTORIES, BIBLE OUTLINES, TEXT BOOKS, WEDDING BOOKS, WALL ROLLS, BOOK MARKS, FOUNTAIN PENS, CHRISTMAS CARDS, NEW YEAR CARDS, WALL TEXTS, ETC . . . . .

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# MISSOURI CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Session, held at Pollock, Missouri, September 4-8, 1901

## OFFICERS

W. A. SELLEW, President.

L. B. REBER, Secretary.

E. HOLTWICK, Assistant Secretary.

SHIRLEY SMUTZ, Statistical Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, L. B. Reber, C. Mattenley.

On Reforms—T. B. Webb, A. D. Sprouse, D. O. Wooderson.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Education—A. D. Sprouse, E. Holtwick, T. B. France.

To Receive Money for Missions—W. S. Stephens.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—F. F. Foscett.

On Ministerial Relations—L. B. Reber, C. Mattenley, C. F. Cox, W. S. Stephens.

B. Callihan.

To Receive Church Extension Fund—F. F. Foscett.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—J. R. Bales.

To Collect Funds for Publishing the Minutes—T. B. Webb.

On Sabbath-schools—J. H. Guffey, S. N. Alexander, W. H. Austin.

On Publications—C. G. Cox, Shirley Smutz, W. S. Stevens.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—A. D. Sprouse, E. Holtwick.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

L. B. Reber, Shirley Smutz, A. D. Sprouse.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

L. B. Reber, president; Shirley Smutz, secretary; W. S. Stephens, treasurer.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions, fifteen cents; Church Extension, ten cents; second quarter, General Superintendents' Claim, — cents; third quarter, Conference Claimants' Fund; fourth quarter, Delegates' Expenses to General Conference.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

C. Mattenley,  
W. H. Austin,  
J. R. Bales,  
N. O. Swigart,  
C. M. Rumsey,

L. B. Reber,  
J. H. Guffey,  
A. C. Ammundsen,  
J. White,  
R. Medlock.

C. G. Cox,  
A. D. Sprouse,  
H. H. Sperry,  
M. C. Paul,

T. B. Webb,  
Shirley Smutz,  
E. G. Cooper,  
W. Vimont,

### DELEGATES

D. O. Wooderson,  
Lucinda Paul,  
E. Holtwick,

L. N. Mendenhall,  
S. M. Alexander,  
T. B. France.

C. L. Allen,  
F. F. Foscett,

B. Callihan,  
W. S. Stephens,

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellew, C. Mattenley, L. B. Reber, W. S. Stevens, T. B. France.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? F. O. Dexter.



4. Who remain on trial? C. Smutz, A. Stokesbury, F. N. Ahern.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? \*R. Medlock, \*W. Vimont, C. M. Rumsey.
6. Who are the deacons? H. H. Sperry, T. B. Webb, A. C. Ammundsen, A. D. Sprouse, J. R. Bales, W. Vimont, R. Medlock.
7. Who have been elected and ordained elders? W. H. Austin.
8. Who have located this year? C. F. Andrews.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? E. G. Cooper, C. G. Cox, G. R. Bales.
- 10, 11, 12. None.
13. Who have been given certificates of standing with a view to transfer? C. Mattenley, C. M. Rumsey, A. C. Ammundsen, H. H. Sperry, J. W. White.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. None.
- 16-23. See statistical report.
24. See list of appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Chillicothe, Missouri, as near the first Wednesday in September, 1902, as may suit the convenience of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The conference was held in connection with a camp-meeting, on the farm of W. R. Hull, and, although this locality had been stricken by a severe drouth, yet the people of this and Mount Olive circuit, adjoining, responded nobly, and the conference was well entertained. God graciously poured out his Spirit upon preachers and pilgrims. Sinners were converted, believers sanctified and the church quickened. Harmony and spirituality prevailed. Brother Sellew's daily talks to the conference were inspiring and the preachers go to their circuits with renewed zeal and courage.

The conference voted to have one traveling district elder, and on the first ballot L. B. Reber was elected. On Sunday morning, T. B. France, R. Medlock and W. Vimont were ordained deacons. In the afternoon W. H. Austin was ordained elder. The conference tendered a vote of thanks to Brother Sellew for the wise and efficient manner in which he conducted the conference, and to the people of Pollock, for their kindness and self-sacrificing labors in providing entertainment.

## APPOINTMENTS

**BURLINGTON JUNCTION DISTRICT.**—L. B. REBER, District Elder.

Burlington, High Prairie and Mt. Zion.....A. D. Sprouse  
 Mound City.....W. Vimont  
 C. G. Cox and J. R. Bales, supernumerary; A. C. Ammundsen, granted a certificate of standing with a view to transfer; T. B. Webb, left without appointment by vote of conference.

**BETHANY DISTRICT.**—L. B. REBER, District Elder.

Bethany and Sharon Chapel.....D. O. Wooderson, supply  
 Albany and Black Oak.....To be supplied

\*Ordained this year.

Mercer and Scott Hill ..... W. H. Austin  
 Osgood and Harris ..... Chandos Smutz  
 Chillicothe ..... F. N. Ahern

C. Mattenley, J. W. White and C. M. Rumsey, granted certificates of standing with a view to transfer; J. M. Tays, located according to Discipline ¶83 and 84; C. F. Andrews, granted a certificate of location at his own request; E. G. Cooper, supernumerary.

#### GREEN CITY DISTRICT.—L. B. REBER, District Elder.

Green City and Mt. Olive ..... R. Medlock  
 College Mound and Ardmore ..... J. H. Guffey  
 Pollock and Mt. Vernon ..... M. C. Paul  
 Acasto and Centre Chapel ..... To be supplied

H. H. Sperry, granted a certificate of standing with a view to transfer; N. C. Swigart, left without appointment; F. O. Dexter, evangelist.

#### HANNIBAL DISTRICT.—L. B. REBER, District Elder.

Hannibal and Ashburn ..... Shirley Smutz  
 Wright City and Wilson Chapel ..... P. A. Rudolph, supply  
 Rhineland and Riverview ..... A. Stokesbury

Myrtle Stephens, conference evangelist.

### STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE MISSOURI CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
BURLINGTON JUNCTION DISTRICT						\$105 33					
Mt. Zion and High Prairie.....	\$2 40	\$ 5 88		\$269 56	68 88			2	\$1600	2	\$700
Mound City and Wilcox.....		10 86		99 72	36 45	\$ 1 75	1		500	1	400
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT					13 84						
Kansas City Mission and Smithville											
BETHANY DISTRICT						+198 11					
Bethany and Sharon.....			6 18		150 00	34 09		1	700	1	200
Albany, Grant City, Black Oak...					219 40	41 05	4 50	1	1500	1	600
Mercer and Scott Hill.....			12 00		162 75	40 14	2 00	1	700		
Osgood and Harris.....	3 55	3 55			168 70	40 00		1	800	1	200
Chillicothe.....			30 00		157 78	22 83	4 13	1	1000	1	465
Spickards and Halfrock.....											
GREEN CITY DISTRICT						102 53					
Green City and Mt. Olive.....		66			150 65	27 00					
Kirksville.....					70 15						
College Mound and Ardmore.....					63 10	23 00	24 87			1	600
Pollock and Mt. Vernon S. H.....					28 50	21 95					
Luray and Center Chapel.....											
HANNIBAL DISTRICT						\$135 35					
Hannibal.....					165 00	17 65	13 00	1	1000	1	500
Ashburn.....			37 00		88 40	46 42	23 50	1	500	1	500
Wright City and Chantilly.....					42 90	26 91		1	400	1	100
Rhineland and River View.....			8 32		150 00	35 60	1 10	1	500	1	200
Total.....	\$3 55	\$6 61	\$110 24		\$1986 61	\$535 16	\$74 85	12	\$8200	12	\$4465

\* Of this amount T. B. Webb received \$89 11. † Received from General Missionary Board, \$20,00.  
 ‡ J. R. Bales received \$17.30. § Received from General Missionary Board, \$20.00

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE MISSOURI CONFERENCE

BURLINGTON JUNCTION, KANSAS CITY, GREEN CITY, BETHANY AND HANNIBAL DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Banquet Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society
BURLINGTON JUNCTION DISTRICT	C. Mattenley, District Elder	21	14	21	21	1	5	30	10	\$ 8 10	\$ 5 94	\$ 8 21	\$4 05	\$ 2 70		\$2 74	
	C. Smutz.	14		14	14	1	11	35	4	5 45	4 84	6 70	2 75	1 40		1 75	
	A. D. Sprouse.																
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT	C. Mattenley, District Elder																
KANSAS CITY Mission and Smithville.	C. Mattenley, District Elder																
BETHANY DISTRICT	C. Mattenley, District Elder																
BETHANY and Sharon.	C. F. Andrews.	19	12	19	1	1	8	30	4	4 60	5 28	2 95	1 00	72		3 07	
	Albany, Grant City, Black Oak.	12	12	12	1	1	8	35	7	1 00	4 40	2 95	3 00	1 50			
	Mercer and Scott Hill.	25	25	25	1	1	8	35	4	9 00	2 00	1 11	3 73	2 50			
Osgood and Harris.	Smutz.	20	20	20	3	3	8	58	2	2 10	2 75	1 11	2 10	8 04			
	Chillicothe.	14	14	14	1	1	8	58	2	2 10	2 75	1 11	2 10	8 04			
	Spickards and Hailrock.																
GREEN CITY DISTRICT	P. A. Rudolph, supply.																
GREEN CITY and Mt. Olive.	L. B. Reber, District Elder																
Kirkville.	R. Medlock	21	2	23	2	2	8	50	5	4 80	3 32		2 40	1 60			
	College Mound and Ardmore.	6	6	6													
	Pollock and Mt. Vernon School-house	21	21	21	3	3			2	72	1 08		1 05				
Lauray and Center Chapel.	Arthur Stokesberry.	3	3	3					2	4 30	1 11		2 35				
HANNIBAL DISTRICT.	L. B. Reber, District Elder																
Hannibal.	F. N. Ahern.	20	1	21	8	8			2	3 00	3 00		80	60		1 35	
	Ashburn.	16	16	16	1	1	6	48	2	3 00	2 88		2 93	1 00		1 50	
	Wright City and Chantilly.	15	15	15	1	1			1	1 00	50					1 02	
Rhineand and River View.	M. C. Paul.	16	1	17	1	1	5	21	4								
	T. W. Rutledge.																
Total		249	5	254	17	4	9	59	56	\$31 47	\$45 80	\$18 97	\$31 65	\$32 02		\$19 47	

# MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN IOWA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Thirtieth Annual Session, held at Plymouth, Iowa, August  
21-24, 1901

## OFFICERS

B. R. JONES, President.

CYRUS COOK, Secretary.

D. H. SIMONS, Treasurer.

H. L. TENNEY and M. L. SCHOOLEY, Assistant Secretaries.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—B. R. Jones, J. B. Newville, Cyrus Cook.

On State of the Work—J. B. Newville, C. Cook, D. H. Simons, W. G. Leeman

On Reforms—J. M. Cook, A. J. Cook, M. L. Schooley, William A. Swain

On Sunday-schools—A. C. Damon, S. A. Bradley, L. M. Ray.

On Education—J. B. Newville, J. L. Kent, J. H. Potts.

On Publications—G. P. Wilson, H. O. Radford, G. S. Phillips.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—G. S. Phillips, J. K. Webb.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—S. O. McElwain.

## CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Reforms—C. M. Damon

On Sunday-schools—H. O. Radford

On Education—G. P. Wilson

On Publications—M. L. Schooley

To raise funds during the interval of annual conference sessions to publish  
the minutes—The district elders.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

M. L. Schooley, H. O. Radford, Cyrus Cook, G. P. Wilson, J. H. Potts.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

G. P. Wilson, W. G. Leeman, Cyrus Cook, M. L. Schooley, H. O. Radford.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

G. P. Wilson, William Baldwin, D. H. Simons, J. B. Newville, H. O. Radford  
Walter Wheeler.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this  
conference?

### PREACHERS

C. M. Damon,  
J. M. Cook,  
G. P. Wilson.  
Cyrus Cook,  
J. K. Webb,

C. W. Sutton,  
J. S. Cornish,  
A. D. Gillett,  
J. L. Phillips.  
J. L. Kent,

J. B. Newville,  
William Baldwin.  
H. O. Radford,  
J. H. Potts,  
A. C. Damon.

A. C. Wolcott,  
C. W. Howe,  
M. L. Schooley.  
G. H. Agnew,

### DELEGATES

John Hanson,  
W. G. Leeman,  
D. H. Simons,  
A. J. Cook,

W. A. Swain,  
J. A. Arnett,  
Walter Wheeler,  
John Sutton.

Mrs. L. M. Ray,  
Mrs. A. M. Jones,  
Mrs. Anna Klein,

H. G. Dubois,  
S. O. McElwain,  
S. A. Bradley,

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. R. Jones, Cyrus Cook, M. L.  
Schooley, W. G. Leeman, Walter Wheeler.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? None.

4. Who remain on trial? H. W. Miller, H. L. Tenney, E. E. Jones, A. G. Morgan.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.
6. Who are the deacons? C. W. Sutton, J. K. Webb, A. C. Damon, J. L. Phillips, J. S. Cornish.
- 7, 8, 9. None.
10. Who are the superannuated preachers? C. M. Damon, A. C. Wolcott.
- 11, 12, 13. None.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The name of each preacher was called, and with one exception their characters were passed.
15. Who have died this year? None.
- 16-20. See statistical table.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? See report.
24. See list of appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Armstrong, Iowa, as near the second Wednesday in September, 1902, as may be consistent with the plans of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The thirtieth session of the conference was held at Plymouth, Iowa, in the Free Methodist church. An unusually large number of members and visitors were in attendance and a very victorious spirit prevailed. General Superintendent Jones seemed specially fitted for the occasion and presided with marked ability.

It was ordered that the conference collections be taken as follows: General Superintendents' Fund, first quarter; Church Extension, second quarter; General Missions, third quarter; Conference Claimants' Fund, fourth quarter.

## APPOINTMENTS

### ALGONA DISTRICT.—M. L. SCHOOLEY, District Elder.

Algona and Eagle Grove.....	J. S. Cornish
Armstrong, Swea City and Halfa.....	Cyrus Cook
Spencer, Capener S. H. and Ruthven.....	J. H. Potts
Peterson, Maple Grove and Douglas Center.....	J. M. Cook, Martha L. Cook, supply

### WINNEBAGO DISTRICT.—G. P. WILSON, District Elder.

Winnebago City, Pleasant View and Maple Grove....	A. C. Damon, Grace Damon, supply
Elmore.....	C. W. Sutton
Mapleton, Bellview, Grapeland and Young S. H.....	E. E. Jones
Glenville, Gordonsville and Lansing.....	A. G. Morgan
Lake Crystal and Hebron.....	To be supplied
Estherville, Ceylon and East Chain Lakes.....	John Sutton, supply
St. Paul and Hutchinson.....	To be supplied
Northfield and Faribault.....	To be supplied

### PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.—M. L. SCHOOLEY, District Elder.

Plymouth, Mason City and Lime Creek.....	H. O. Radford
Culver, Hackberry and Center S. H.....	H. L. Tenney
Osage.....	To be supplied
Riceville, Round Grove and Saratoga.....	J. K. Webb
Bonair, Fairchild S. H. and Oakdale.....	H. W. Miller
Hayfield, Durant S. H., Ellington and Grant.....	William Baldwin
C. M. Damon, A. C. Wolcott, superannuated; G. H. Agnew, missionary to Africa; J. L.	



Kent, left without appointment at his own request; C. W. Howe, J. L. Phillips, A. D. Gillett, G. S. Phillips, left without appointment.

## PREACHERS' ADDRESSES

O. M. Damon	Laclede, Illinois
J. W. Newville	Kensett, Iowa
J. M. Cook	Peterson, "
William Baldwin	Firth, "
Cyrus Cook	Armstrong, "
H. O. Radford	Plymouth, "
J. H. Potts	Spencer, "
J. S. Cornish	Algona, "
M. L. Schooley	Plymouth, "
G. S. Phillips	Spirit Lake, "
J. K. Webb	Riceville, "
J. L. Kent	Saratoga, "
H. W. Miller	Bonair, "
H. L. Tenney	Plymouth, "
John Sutton	Estherville, "
Martha L. Cook	Peterson, "
G. P. Wilson	Plymouth, "
A. C. Damon	Winnebago City, Minnesota
C. W. Sutton	Elmore, "
E. E. Jones	Mapleton, "
A. G. Morgan	Glenville, "
Mrs. Grace Damon	Winnebago City, "
J. L. Phillips	Weyerhauser, Wisconsin
A. D. Gillett	Barron, "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### ON CLAIMANTS AND CLAIMS.

Amount necessary to pay claimants for next year: C. M. Damon, \$150; A. C. Wolcott, \$80.00; Mrs. L. M. Ray, \$25.00; Mrs. Maria Cain, \$25.00; Mrs. M. E. Sumner, \$25.00; E. H. Tenney's child, \$15.00.

### ON DISBURSEMENT OF HOME MISSION FUNDS.

To William Baldwin, \$5.00; C. W. Sutton, \$15.00; H. W. Miller, \$19.24.

### CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Amount assessed, \$109.80.

Amount paid, \$110.80.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Amount assessed and paid, \$65.88.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Amount assessed and paid, \$54.90.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Amount assessed and paid, \$36.60.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Amount paid, \$39.24.

### I.—ON REFORMS.

ROMANISM.—Knowing that the spirit and practice of the Roman Catholic church is opposed to our free institutions, let us upon whom the light has shone, labor in every legitimate way to enlighten the people and bring them to Christ, who is the fountain of light, liberty and truth.

FAMILY GOVERNMENT.—Laxity in family government is noticeable among us as a people. The future man (or woman) depends much on the training and education of the child. If we would rear a superstructure that is to be enduring, we must see to it that a good foundation is laid against the time to come, and that foundation must be laid in the mind and heart of the child by the parent who should exercise proper authority over him in early life. God said, "I know Abraham that he will command his children and his household after him;" not advise them, not coax them, but command. Do we not often try to persuade our children to follow in a line of duty we believe and know to be right, and fail-

ing in this, leave them to pursue their own ways and thus they are lost to the home, to the church and a holy life?

How to save our children and bring them into harmony and love with our holy religion has become a serious question with us as a people. A faithful and wise home discipline is the remedy which cannot fail of good fruit.

**PROHIBITION.**—The liquor traffic is a gigantic evil in our land, and has become powerfully entrenched in politics. Political and ecclesiastical bodies are intimidated by it, to that extent that it holds the balance of power in both church and state. Are we to see this vile institution perpetuated, and go on with its work of death and desolation, or shall we see the church of Christ arise in its might and power and march to the ballot box and put away forever this "sum of all villainies" from our otherwise fair land. Let us as a people, support those candidates for office only, who are known to be fully committed to the principle and practice of prohibition.

**SABBATH DESECRATION** is increasing to an alarming extent, and is fast becoming a national sin. Sunday excursion trains are frequent. Sunday picnicking has become common in church societies. Why is this? Is not the moral tone of society low because that of the church is not high? Has not the pulpit ceased to a large extent to give the "trumpet a certain sound" on this question? The Sunday newspaper has come, and it is sad to state that it has found its way into many religious homes, and Free Methodists are not wholly clear in this matter. These, and many other forms of Sabbath desecration have obtained among the people; and are not the people responsible for this state of things? Would the railroads run Sunday excursion trains if they were not sufficiently well patronized to make them profitable? And would the Sunday newspapers be issued if the people did not buy them in sufficient quantities to make them a financial success? Let us discountenance all forms of Sabbath breaking and speak out on all these questions, on the authority of God's word, and by the power of a holy life.

## II.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

That which we read, in the proper meaning of the term, largely sustains the same relation in the formation of character and habits of mind, as do social, political and religious conditions and influence. Character is largely determined by mental conditions and habits. For instance, Mohammedan, Hindoo, Chinese and Japanese characteristics are the fruit of mental impressions and influences, issuing in peculiar casts of character. Hence it is important that our reading, with its incident stimulation and incitement, should be of such a character, and along such lines, as will be a stimulus, an inspiration, and shall minister to holy aspiration and character. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (2 Thes. 2:15) is a scriptural injunction, and our Lord and Saviour enjoins us to "Search the scriptures." Paul said to Timothy, "Till I come give attention to reading."

As one has said, "Memory plays a most important part in our experiences; it is the unity of past and present." Through the medium of memory, the mind grasps, appropriates, and assimilates, the elements that go to make up character; hence it is not only important that we "give attention to reading," but that we and our families read that which is wholesome, that which is wholesomely quickening to mind and heart, equipping for good citizenship in all of its relative duties, and for God's service in time and eternity.

Our homes should be a reading room into which there comes week by week, reading matter, which breathes, and shines, with intellectual and spiritual life and hope. While there is much literature of what may be termed secular, there is no reading matter that can profitably take the place of the *Free Methodist* in Free Methodist families. It is a wrong condition of things, when in the homes of Free Methodists you find other papers and literature, but where the bright and wholesome *Free Methodist* is not found. We need the weekly visits of the church paper in order to be intelligent members of the church, and in order to be wide and broad in our sympathies and fellowship, reaching out in our endeavor and helpfulness along all lines of church labor.

We appreciate the able and devoted labors of the editor, W. T. Hogue, and hope that the paper will be found in every Free Methodist home. We also heartily commend the *Earnest Christian* to the attention of our people.

## III.—ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Your committee submit the following report: We believe that Sabbath school work is one of the most important works of the church. We believe it can be made the factor of doing more good than any other branch of church work. We deplore the fact that in so many places our ministers fail to take the interest in this work that they should, and the lack of interest that so many parents take. They get their children ready and send them to Sabbath-school, but in many cases stay at home themselves. They wonder why the children do not take an interest in this work. Is it a wonder that our children lose interest in what we do not take an interest in? We believe there ought to be a general revival in the Sabbath-school work if we wish to see it accomplish the work it ought to for the church. We recommend that in all cases where practicable our schools be organized ac-

cording to our Discipline. We believe that much better results will be accomplished this way than by union schools. Much care should be used in the selection of teachers who are thoroughly spiritual and have a good understanding of God's word. We have great need of consecrated men and women to teach in our schools on account of the great tendency of the age to worldliness and higher criticism; and whereas the literature of the day has a great deal to do with the moulding of character, we recommend that in all our schools the literature of our own church be used, as we believe it is the best and purest to be found.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN IOWA CONFERENCE

### ALGONA, WINNEBAGO AND PLYMOUTH DISTRICTS

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
ALGONA DISTRICT											
Algona, Whittemore, Bancroft .....			\$13 25		\$246 55	\$20 00	\$5 00	1	\$1000	1	\$ 500
Armstrong and Estherille .....			10 00		262 80	40 00		1	1000	1	600
East Ch in Lakes and Katley .....					92 06	20 44					
Spencer, Rutnven, Capen .....			24 53		411 25	55 00	23 50				1000
Peterson and Douglas Center .....	\$1 00		7 00		359 17	52 10		2	1800	1	550
WINNEBAGO DISTRICT											
Winnebago City, Pleasant View, etc .....	\$3 00	15 00			361 01	50 88	73 55	2	1700	1	400
Elmore .....	3 15	2 00	13 76		234 85	28 35	6 60	1	1200	1	600
Mapleton, Lake Crystal, etc .....		50	16 39		190 60	24 00	5 60			1	900
Bellevue, White S. H. and Hebron .....					222 30	20 00	6 50	1	100		
PLYMOUTH DISTRICT											
Plymouth and Mason City .....		4 40	55 36	\$1 00	145 00	112 93		3	3690	1	1000
Sheffield, Culver, Center S. H. ....					81 00	30 00	90 00				
Osage .....						35 00		1	1000		
Riceville, Round Grove, Saratoga .....		3 20	41 24		480 00	80 00		1	1750	1	1000
Bonair, Fairchild S., Oakdale .....		1 00	10 90		232 50	40 00		1	1000	1	500
Gleuville, Gordonsville, Lansing .....			8 70		140 52	32 59		1	1000	1	500
Hayfield and Durant school-house .....					33 63	25 13					
St. Paul and Minneapolis .....											
Hutchinson .....											
Northfield and Faribault .....											
Total .....	\$4 15	\$14 10	\$216 13	\$1 00	\$3605 23	\$666 42	\$209 75	15	\$15240	11	\$75 50

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN IOWA CONFERENCE.

## ALGONA, WINNEBAGO AND PLYMOUTH DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sundays Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Societies
ALGONA DISTRICT																		
Cyrus Cook, District Elder																		
Algona, Whittemore, Bancroft.....	J. S. Cornish.....	11	1	12	1	1	1	3	20	3	\$3.30	\$ 1.98	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.65	\$3.10	.....	\$10.00	.....
Armstrong and Estherville.....	H. O. Radford.....	18	1	19	2	1	2	8	25	6	5.10	3.06	2.55	2.55	1.70	.....	4.45	.....
East Chain Lakes and Watery.....	John Sutton, supply.....	11	1	12	1	1	1	1	5	5	3.00	1.80	1.50	1.50	1.00	.....	5.18	.....
Sencer, Ku hven, Capener.....	J. H. Potts.....	23	1	24	2	2	2	1	23	12	7.00	3.60	3.00	3.00	2.00	.....	13.00	.....
Peterson and Douglas Center.....	J. M. Cook, M. L. Cook, supply	26	1	27	1	1	1	5	30	7	6.00	3.60	3.00	3.00	2.00	.....	3.25	\$12.00
WINNEBAGO DISTRICT																		
Cyrus Cook, District Elder																		
Winnebago City, Pleasant View, etc.	A. C. Damon, Grace Damon, sup	34	10	44	2	3	2	12	55	11	11.10	5.66	5.55	5.55	3.70	.....	18.50	.....
Wymore.....	M. L. Schooley.....	9	3	12	1	1	1	5	15	5	3.96	2.15	1.80	1.80	1.20	.....	8.05	.....
Mapleton, Lake Crystal, Young S. H.	H. W. Miller.....	21	1	22	2	1	2	8	46	6	6.60	3.96	3.30	3.30	2.20	.....	.....	.....
Bellevue, White S. H. and Hebron...	E. E. Jones.....	8	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	2.40	1.44	1.20	1.20	80	.....	.....	.....
PLYMOUTH DISTRICT																		
J. B. Newville, District Elder																		
Plymouth and Mason City	Supplied by Wm. Baldwin.....	83	1	84	2	3	3	21	85	15	25.50	15.30	12.75	12.75	8.50	.....	25.30	.....
Steffield, Culvart, Center school-house	H. L. Tenney.....	9	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2.97	1.65	1.35	1.35	63	.....	.....	.....
Osage.....	Supplied.....	6	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	4.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Riceville, Round Grove, saratoga.....	J. K. Webb.....	34	2	36	1	1	2	11	75	12	17.10	10.58	4.33	8.95	5.70	.....	7.00	13.30
Bonair, Fairchild S. H. and Oakdale	C. W. Sutton.....	23	2	25	1	1	1	7	25	8	8.40	5.04	4.20	4.20	2.80	.....	2.00	.....
Glenville, Gordonsville, Lansing	A. G. Worgan.....	12	1	13	1	1	1	4	25	8	3.80	2.84	1.93	1.93	1.50	.....	.....	.....
Hayfield and Durant school-house	Supplied.....	6	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul and Minneapolis.....	Supplied.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hutchinson.....	Supplied.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northfield and Faribault.....	Supplied.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	335	24	359	10	8	17	97	418	109	\$111.43	\$62.74	448.88	\$63.10	\$35.33	.....	498.73	\$25.30

# ARKANSAS AND SOUTHERN MISSOURI CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Seventh Annual Session, held at Springfield, Missouri, September  
11-14, 1901

## OFFICERS

B. WINGET, President.

J. H. HIGGINS, Secretary.

MRS. LULU HIGGINS, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—B. Winget, J. H. Higgins, J. M. Roberson, R. Adams.

On Education—J. M. Roberson, L. W. Steele.

On Publications—R. Adams, F. M. Elliott.

On Reforms—J. M. Roberson, W. D. Vaughn.

On Sunday-schools—W. C. Bostian, Mrs. Jennie Tiernan.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—W. D. Vaughn.

On Memoirs—C. L. Hewitt, J. H. Higgins.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—James Tiernan, Ida Walker.

On Conference Claimants' Fund—P. Robinson.

On General Superintendents' Fund—E. E. White.

On General, Conference and Foreign Missions—W. C. Bostian.

On Church Extension and Aid Society—J. M. Roberson.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Claims and Claimants—B. Winget, J. M. Roberson, J. H. Higgins, E. E. White, F. M. Elliott.

On Deficiency Fund—R. Adams.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

J. M. Roberson, L. W. Steele, C. L. Hewitt, A. Maxfield, R. Adams.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

L. W. Steele, W. D. Vaughn, R. Adams, J. M. Roberson, O. P. Smith.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

N. T. Holcomb,  
J. H. Higgins,  
C. L. Hewitt.

J. M. Roberson,  
W. D. Vaughn,

A. Maxfield,  
L. W. Steele,

W. W. Hulet,  
R. Adams,

### DELEGATES

P. Robinson,

H. D. Kelley,

Ida Walker,

F. M. Elliott,

Mrs. Nancy Comstock, W. C. Bostian,

E. E. White,

James Tiernan,

Mrs. Jennie Tiernan, Mrs. Lulu Higgins, Anthony Sluthour,

B. F. Barr.

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. Winget, J. H. Higgins, J. M. Roberson, R. Adams, E. E. White, P. Robinson, F. M. Elliott.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? W. C. Bostian, W. L. Warren.

4. Who remain on trial? J. B. Parker, Morris Heverling, F. L. Chevalley, X. Atchison.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

6. Who are the deacons? None.



7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? C. L. Hewitt.
8. Who have located this year? None.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? None.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn out preachers? N. T. Holcomb.
11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? None.
12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? J. H. Higgins, F. L. Chevalley, X. Atchison.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. Who have died this year? James Benton.
- 16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical report.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers? Eighty dollars.
23. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.
24. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? At Zodiac, Missouri, as near the first Wednesday in September, 1902, as will suit the plans of the general superintendents.

## APPOINTMENTS

**FAIRPLAY DISTRICT.**—L. W. STEELE, District Elder, Fairplay, Missouri.

Fairplay, Bolivar and Balm.....	A. Maxfield, O. P. Smith, supply
Springfield, Everton, Elkland and Lebanon.....	F. L. Chevalley
Mountain Grove and Bryant.....	George Coffman, supply

**HARRISON DISTRICT.**—J. M. ROBERSON, District Elder, Mammoth Spring, Arkansas.

Harrison and Pleasant Ridge.....	W. D. Vaughan, W. H. Hughes, supply
N. T. Holcomb, superannuated.	

**WEST PLAINS DISTRICT.**—J. M. ROBERSON, District Elder.

West Plains and Mountain View.....	J. B. Parker
Mammoth Spring and Hardy.....	To be supplied
Anniston.....	To be supplied
Beebe.....	W. C. Bostian
Jacinto.....	W. L. Warren
F. L. Chevalley, given a certificate of his standing.	

**VIRGINIA AND CARTHAGE DISTRICT.**—L. W. STEELE, District Elder.

Virginia, Round Prairie, Zodiac, Schell City and Butler.....	R. Adams; W. T. Burns and W. G. Coulter, supplies
Carthage, Webb City, Joplin, Neosho and Phelps.....	C. L. Hewitt; Joseph Sizelove and J. W. Worthington, supplies
W. W. Hulet, left without appointment; X. Atchison, given a certificate of his standing; J. H. Higgins, given a certificate of standing with a view to transfer.	
Eliza C. Witherspoon, conference evangelist, Virginia, Missouri.	

## LOCAL PREACHERS

O. P. Smith.....	Fairplay, Missouri
W. G. Coulter.....	Butler, "

W. T. Burns .....	Nevada, Missouri
George Coffman .....	234 Spring street, Springfield, "
J. W. Worthington .....	Joplin, "
M. A. Ray .....	Joplin, "
J. W. Kerry .....	Milford, "
J. Sizelove .....	Joplin, "
F. M. Elliott .....	Mammoth Spring, Arkansas
W. H. Hughes .....	Harrison, "
K. J. Anderson .....	West Plains, Missouri

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE ARKANSAS AND SOUTHERN MISSOURI CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Person- age Property
<b>FAIRPLAY DISTRICT</b>											
Fairplay and Bolivar .....			\$12 00		\$ 90 00	\$ 11 00	\$ 6 45	1	\$ 800	1	\$400
Springfield and Everton .....					25	30 00	7 00				
Macks Creek and Buffalo .....						18 00					
Balm and Stockton .....					87 68	35 00					
Mountain Grove and Seymour .....						13 00					
Elkland and Lebanon .....											
<b>VIRGINIA DISTRICT</b>											
Virginia and Wolfe .....	\$1 00	\$1 18	10 00		123 50	25 58					
Nevada .....					22 00	21 77	30 00				
Schell City and Eldorado .....					50	25 11					
Butler and East Lynn .....					1 60	6 32	5 50				
<b>CARTHAGE DISTRICT</b>											
Carthage and Webb City .....			10 00		34 00	21 00	21 00				
Neosho and Granby .....			3 20		20 00	13 27	16 80	1	500		
Southwest City .....											
Phelps and Monett .....			10 00		77 10	25 99		1	500		
Lamar and Jasper .....			10 00			20 55	20 00				
Joplin Mission .....							21 00				
<b>WEST PLAINS DISTRICT</b>											
West Plains and Mountain View .....			2 98		48 70	25 17					
Mammoth Spring .....		37	10 49		24 72	48 11					
Hardy .....					17 60	7 30					
Anniston .....											
Beebe .....		85	3 50		35 90	33 47		1	275		
Jacinto .....					30 27	10 07		2	215		
<b>HARRISON DISTRICT</b>											
Harrison and Pleasant Ridge .....					90 80						
Received from new points .....						12 00					
Collections at conference .....											
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1 00</b>	<b>\$2 32</b>	<b>\$72 17</b>		<b>\$704 62</b>	<b>\$405 71</b>	<b>\$127 75</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$2290</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$400</b>

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE ARKANSAS AND SOUTHERN MISSOURI CONFERENCE

FAIRPLAY, VIRGINIA, CARTHAGE, WEST PLAINS AND HARRISON DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER														Members	Provisioners	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Fire Methodists" taken	Conference Claims	Parents' Fund	General Superintendents' Claims	Conference Missions Claims	General Missions Claims	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claims	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society
FAIRPLAY DISTRICT	R. Adams, District Elder																														
	R Adams.	24	1	25	2	1	1	6	25	3	\$3.60	\$2.16										\$1.80	\$1.00								
	Springfield and Everton	13	2	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.65	.90										.75	.50								
	Macks Creek and Buffalo	7	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	.60	.36										.30	.20								
	Brim and Stockton	11	3	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	.30	.30										.15	.10								
VIRGINIA DISTRICT	Mountain Grove and Seymour	6	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1																					
	Elkland and Lebanon																														
	J. H. Higgins, District Elder																														
	L. W. Steele.	33	5	38	1	1	2	8	60	3	3.00	5.00										3.25	1.75								
	Nevada.	12	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.65	.72										.75									
CARTHAGE DISTRICT	Schell City and Eldorado.	5	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	.50	1.20																			
	Butler and East Lynn.	6	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	2																					
	J. H. Higgins, District Elder																														
	Carthage and Webb City.	13	6	19	2	1	1	1	1	3	5.10	3.06										3.60	1.70								
	Neesh and Granby.	10	1	11	1	1	1	3	20	1	.35	.45										.80	.10								
WEST PLAINS DISTRICT	Southwest City.	12	1	13	1	1	1	4	12	2																					
	Phelps and Monet.	12	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	1																					
	Lamar and Jasper.	18	13	31	1	1	1	1	1	2																					
	Joplin Mission.	3	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	1																					
	J. M. Roberson, District Elder																														
HARRISON DISTRICT	West Plains and Mountain View.	19	6	25	2	1	1	1	1	1	3.30	1.98										1.05	1.10								
	Mammouth Spring.	22	1	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	6.00	3.60										3.00	1.08			\$3.20					
	Hardy.	16	1	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	.40	.20										2.00									
	Hamiston	15	1	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.80	1.40										.60	.30								
	Beede.	15	1	16	1	1	1	1	1	1																					
HARRISON DISTRICT	W. L. Warren, supply	5	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	2																					
	J. M. Roberson, District Elder																														
	W. D. Vaughan.	26	1	27	1	1	1	1	1	3	2.20	2.30										1.20	1.30								
Harrison and Pleasant Ridge.																															
Received from new points.																															
Collected at conference.																															
Total		251	41	322	14	2	8	37	202	34	\$36.45	\$33.10										\$7.25	\$24.60	\$10.03		\$4.50					

# WEST KANSAS CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Session, held at Glen Elder, Kansas, August 14-18, 1901

## OFFICERS.

W. A. SELLEW, President.

J. E. OVERHOLT, Secretary.

G. G. KESSEL, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, J. S. Ogg, G. G. Kessel.

On Sunday-schools—A. C. Brown, W. F. Cook, T. F. Forbes.

On Reforms—R. H. Cline, J. M. Young, S. H. Gwin.

On Publishing the Minutes—J. E. Overholt, G. G. Kessel.

On Publications—J. H. Batchelder, B. B. Orr, G. G. Kessel.

On Education—J. S. Ogg, A. C. Brown, R. Trever, J. M. Young.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—Otto Zimmerman, R. Trever, J. M. Young.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—A. Helsel.

To Receive Conference Missionary Fund—I. V. Wright.

To Receive General and Foreign Mission Funds—Anna Turner.

To Collect Funds for Publishing Minutes—Maud Gilbert, Carrie Cline.

To Receive Educational and Children's Day Funds—C. T. Reese.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—G. Delimont.

To Receive Church Extension Fund—W. R. Everley.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

J. M. Young, W. F. Cook, T. F. Forbes, A. C. Brown, W. R. Everley.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

J. S. Ogg, A. C. Brown, J. H. Batchelder, G. G. Kessel, J. M. Young.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Conference Missions (fifteen cents), General Missions; second quarter, General Superintendents' Fund, Foreign Missions, Tracts; third quarter, Conference Claimants' Fund; fourth quarter, Church Extension, Delegates' Expenses to General Conference.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

J. S. Ogg,  
R. Trever,  
A. C. Brown,  
G. Delimont,  
Otto Zimmerman,  
J. Westwood,

G. G. Kessel,  
W. F. Cook,  
E. E. Miller,  
E. P. Robb,  
B. B. Orr,  
C. H. Malin,

J. M. Young,  
J. H. Batchelder,  
J. Adams,  
S. V. Coe,  
W. E. Keener,  
J. E. Overholt,

R. H. Cline,  
A. Helsel,  
F. S. Atwell,  
A. Steadwell,  
J. W. McIrvin,  
R. C. Selander.

### DELEGATES

Eli Shiner,  
J. A. Melrose,  
C. T. Reese,  
Charles Bowyer,  
S. H. Gwin,  
G. W. Bathurst,

J. B. Hargadine,  
Maude Gilbert,  
J. Overholt,  
I. V. Wright,  
Walter Stevens,  
Elmer Smith,

T. Kingsolver,  
F. M. Hollenbeck,  
J. H. Kessel,  
J. F. Bissitt,  
W. R. Everley,  
T. F. Forbes.

Anna Turner,  
Minnie Hubbard,  
Carrie Cline,  
Bernice VanVranken,  
Estis Coopridge,

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellew, J. S. Ogg, G. G. Kessel, W. R. Everley, S. H. Gwinn.
3. What preachers are admitted on trial? F. R. Cline, J. E. Crawford, R. B. Ralls.
4. Who remain on trial? C. W. Long.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? J. Westwood, C. H. Malin, J. E. Overholt, R. C. Selander.
6. Who are the deacons? W. E. Keener, J. W. McIrvin, B. B. Orr, \*J. Westwood, \*C. H. Malin, \*J. E. Overholt, \*R. C. Selander; \*G. W. Shurts, \*F. A. Davis, local deacons.
7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? Otto Zimmerman.
- 8, 9, 12. None.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? E. E. Miller, F. S. Atwell.
11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? A. Steadwell, an elder, from the Iowa conference.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? J. Adams, Otto Zimmerman.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
- 15, 22, 23. None.
- 16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical report.
21. What amounts are necessary for conference claimants? E. E. Miller, \$110; two children of J. H. Taylor, \$20.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? At Cleo, Oklahoma, as near the middle of August, 1902, as will be convenient for the general superintendents.

## APPOINTMENTS

MANKATO DISTRICT.—J. S. Ogg, District Elder, Osborne, Kansas.

Mankato.....	C. W. Long, Mankato, Kansas
Lebanon.....	J. M. Young, Lebanon, “
Osborne.....	C. H. Malin, Osborne, “
Glen Elder and Cawker City.....	W. E. Keener, Glen Elder, “
Cuba.....	E. P. Robb, Cuba, “
Concordia and Liberty Chapel.....	A. Helsel, Viola Helsel, supply, Concordia, “
Lincoln and Victor.....	R. C. Selander, Lincoln, “
Orbitello and Dorrance.....	J. E. Crawford, Wilson, “

ALMENA DISTRICT.—J. S. Ogg, District Elder.

Almena.....	J. E. Overholt, Almena, Kansas
Logan, Densmore and Roscoe.....	G. Delimont, Logan, “
Hayes City, Asbury and Moreland.....	R. B. Ralls, Palco, “
Woodston.....	F. A. Davis, supply, Woodston, “

E. E. Miller, superannuated, 1012 South Weber street, Colorado Springs, Colorado;  
J. Adams, given certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

\*Ordained this year.



**MACKSVILLE DISTRICT.**—G. G. KESSEL, District Elder, Macksville, Kansas.

Macksville and St. John.....	J. H. Batchelder, Macksville, Kansas
Great Bend.....	To be supplied
Pratt and Nashville.....	E. P. Van Vranken, supply, Pratt, Kansas
Kingman and Tripp.....	S. V. Coe, Kingman, "
Wright and Laurel.....	F. R. Cline, Wright, "
Ness City and Beeler.....	J. W. McIrvin, Ness City, "
Mullinville and Crescent.....	W. F. Cook, Mullinville, Kansas
Bucklin and Pleasant Valley.....	B. B. Orr, Bucklin, "
Eden Valley.....	F. R. Vosburgh, Iuka, "

Otto Zimmerman, given certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

**CLEO DISTRICT.**—R. H. CLINE, District Elder, Iuka, Kansas.

Medicine Lodge, Mound Center and Alva.....	R. Trever, Harry Peacock, supply, Kiowa, Kansas
Wisby and Zula.....	G. W. Shurtz, supply, Augusta, Oklahoma
Carwile.....	A. C. Brown, Carwile, Oklahoma
Dane.....	C. E. Carter, supply, Dane, "
Isabella and Watunda.....	J. Westwood, Isabella, "
Ringwood and Ames.....	Estis Coopridr, supply, Augusta, "
Moscow and Woodward.....	A. Stedwell, Moscow, "
Taloga and Seiling.....	Carey Fisher, supply, Seiling, "
Sentinel.....	To be supplied

F. S. Atwell, superannuated, Sharon, Kansas.

## LOCAL PREACHERS

Thomas Weir.....	Preston, Kansas
Daniel Bondurant.....	Garden City, "
Cyrus Archer.....	Densmore, "
G. F. Snow.....	Almena, "
T. F. Forbes.....	Almena, "
F. J. Rhoades.....	Hill City, "
Thomas Kingsoliver.....	Lebanon, "
J. N. Lightner.....	Harlan, "
Evan Jones.....	Kill Creek P. O., Osborne county, "
W. R. Everley.....	Delphos, "
T. J. Strome.....	Syria, Oklahoma
Henry Isabella.....	Isabella, "
F. E. Chapman.....	Isabella, "
F. M. Hollenbeck.....	Dane, "
George Dixon.....	Carwile, "
D. G. Harned.....	Carwile, "

## EVANGELISTS

Maggie A. Cook.....	Mullinville, Kansas
Carrie Cline.....	Iuka, "
Viola Helsel.....	Concordia, "
Elizabeth Orr.....	Bucklin, "
Kathryn Ralls.....	Palco, "
Dedah Burnap.....	Almena, "
Anna Hill.....	Gregory, "
Nora Lightner.....	Harlan, "

Anna Turner.....	Dorrance, “
Lurenda Bear .....	Wilson, “
Anna Batchelder .....	Macksville, “
Michael New.....	Kiowa, “
Amanda Graham.....	Isabella, Oklahoma
J. L. Graham.....	Isabella, “
Alice Atwell.....	Sharon, Kansas
Anna Fisher .....	Seiling, Oklahoma
Kate Coe.....	Kingman, Kansas
Josephia Hill.....	Cawker City, “
C. T. Reese.....	Sentinel, Oklahoma

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON EDUCATION.

This is one of the most important subjects that comes before us as Christian workers, because an education fits us to be of the greatest benefit to others. Those men whose names the world will not willingly let die have been men who found in the good of others their chiefest delight.

After Solomon had offered his thousand burnt offerings at Gibeon, that night the Lord appeared to him and said, “Ask what I shall give thee?” Note the choice; not riches, not honor, not revenge on enemies, but, “Give me wisdom and knowledge.” Why did he ask this? “Give me wisdom to judge thy people, that I may discern between the good and bad; for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?” Give me wisdom that I may be of benefit to others and not lead them astray.

An education in the arts and sciences alone is not enough to make men and women a blessing to the world. We want an education that brings the soul into an experience which renders one capable of blessing others by imparting spiritual light—light to discern between the good and bad. Some have advanced the idea that an education is detrimental to spiritual life. But the men whom God has used with the greatest success have been educated men, as Paul, Moses, Ezra and Nehemiah. Now the great question is, How shall we educate our children without bringing them in contact with sinful influences which morally pollute and defile? Many a boy, once attentive to the means of grace and Christian living, after going away from home to a school where influences of city or town are brought to bear upon him, has given way to temptation, and Satan has taken him captive at his will. Therefore, we recommend that, as Free Methodist parents, we put forth an effort to send our children to our own denominational schools where they will be educated in spiritual attainments and where every encouragement is given to get them converted and kept in spiritual light and truth.

As the West Kansas conference is within the patronizing territory of the Orleans Seminary, we desire to especially commend it to the favorable notice of our Free Methodist people and all others who may be interested in the worthy cause of Christian education. This school was established under adverse circumstances and has had unusual difficulties to surmount; but it has been demonstrated that the blessing of God has rested upon it. We hope and will pray that success may attend it financially, and that it may, in the future, as it has been in the past, be a blessing to the church and an instrument under God for the upbuilding of his kingdom on earth. The faculty for the ensuing year are competent teachers and all members of the Free Methodist church. Therefore, we urge our people to support this school by their patronage and means, and insist that our preachers work in its interest on their respective circuits. Also let it be resolved that, as lovers of God and his cause, we will make preparations for the present and future needs of our children in the line of Christian education, for who knows what a sphere of usefulness belongs to the child thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

## II.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

As a church God has raised us up to spread scriptural holiness. The press is one of the greatest factors in moulding character and shaping the lives of men and nations. Words spoken may soon be forgotten, but written or printed they live to bless or to curse those who read them. There are many publications containing much good, but in them are also poisonous and false doctrines which breathe a spirit of independency, and many of our people are unconsciously inoculated thereby.

The result of this is spiritual decline and ultimately the ignoring of God's command that we should be subject to those having the rule over us. Therefore,

*Resolved*, That this conference discourage our people in patronizing or even countenancing periodicals, as *God's Revivalist* and other independent holiness papers; and that we urge our preachers to work solely in the interest of our own publications. We further insist that special effort be put forth by all to circulate the *Free Methodist*, our denominational organ, which in our judgment is superior to any holiness paper in the land. We also heartily recommend the *Missionary Tidings*, the *Earnest Christian*, and our Sabbath-school literature, which we believe is the best.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WEST KANSAS CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
MANKATO DISTRICT						\$262 08					
Mankato.....			\$ 6 11	\$ 60	\$322 35	\$29 64		1	\$ 900	1	\$500
Lebanon.....			13 77	1 55	325 17	48 84	10 23	1	1000	1	600
Osborne.....	\$ 65	\$6 44	11 20		285 78	37 07	3 50	2	1500	1	400
Glen Elder.....	1 49	4 01	17 94	35	290 58	41 50	5 00	2	1500	1	400
Cuba and Minersville.....			15 93	25	188 38	22 50		1	1000	1	500
Concordia and Liberty Chapel.....	3 25	81	13 00	30	325 00	36 60	69 13	2	2000		
Lincoln and Victor.....			11 03		260 00	24 62	23 00	1	800	1	400
Orbitelli and Dorrance.....			6 90	75	221 68	21 31		1	350	2	550
ALMENA DISTRICT						104 04					
Almena.....			20 00	55		43 68	10 50	1	800	1	300
Logan, Den-more, Roscoe.....			6 31	80	56 91	25 81		1	600		
Asbury, Goodale, Hayes City.....				50	41 64	15 55					
Woodston.....				1 15	97 50	18 00	1 50	1	200		
MACKSVILLE DISTRICT						241 81					
Macksville, Albino, St. John.....			5 00	1 00	270 00	36 00	6 68	1	1000	1	400
Great Bend, Pawnee, Garfield.....				23	60 10	21 21					
Medicine Lodge, Sawyer, Pratt.....				25	99 55	21 50					
Kingman, Tripp, Maude.....			5 82	25	186 01	37 00	1 80				7
Wright and Lovell.....			8 09	65	120 32	30 50				1	75
Ness City, Laird, Beeler.....				45	150 25	25 00					10
Mullinville, Bethany, etc.....			20 00		348 46	41 69	100 95	2	2000		
Stafford and Eden Valley.....			28 85	49	186 32	38 91	40 13	1	1000		
CLEO DISTRICT						238 36					
Mound Center, Winchester, etc....	1 00	2 07	17 60		229 00	32 96	11 29				
Alva, Wisby, Wynoka.....			12 00		207 00	45 91					
Timberview, Car-ile, Cleo.....	2 32		12 00	1 00	254 50	44 69				1	300
Dane, Tivola, Lakeside.....	55	2 21	14 00	75	182 18	23 50	3 00			1	100
Isabella, Watunda, etc.....			5 00		186 82	38 59		1	500	1	500
Ta oga, Seiling, Moscow.....					322 27	22 21	19 25			1	500
Sentinel.....						18 50	12 00				
Total.....	\$9 25	\$15 54	\$248 75	\$11 64	\$218 37	\$816 29	\$318 86	19	\$15150	15	\$5092



# WABASH CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Seventeenth Annual Session, held at Mt. Carmel, Illinois,  
September 11-16, 1901

## OFFICERS

W. A. SELLEW, President.

JOHN A. WATSON, Secretary.

E. E. JENKINS, Assistant Secretary.

J. B. LUTZ, Statistical Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, G. W. Gilkison, John A. Watson, U. S. Ferguson.

On Church Literature—A. P. Harrell, H. J. McKinnell, W. H. Armentrout.

On Reforms—A. F. Niswonger, H. Prust, E. E. Robbins.

On Sabbath-schools—J. B. Hull, Jasper Cohoon, Fred Wagner.

On State of the Work—U. S. Ferguson, John A. Watson.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—E. T. Lloyd.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—E. E. Robbins, A. W. Brant, E. E. Jenkins.

To Raise Funds for Publishing the Minutes—Jacob Barger.

On Missions and Missionary Appropriations—The stationing committee.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—S. H. Lewis.

On Ministerial Relations—A. P. Harrell, John A. Watson, W. H. Armentrout, U. S. Ferguson, D. Duval.

On Memoirs—H. J. McKinnell, U. S. Ferguson, E. E. Robbins.

On Education—H. J. McKinnell, H. Prust, George Holborow.

To Receive Educational, Children's and India Famine Funds—H. G. Bachman.

To Receive Money for Missions—A. F. Niswonger.

To Receive Money for Church Extension—U. S. Ferguson.

On Conference Claimants and Claims—W. A. Sellew, U. S. Ferguson, John A. Watson, S. J. Barger, Frank Cullison.

Conference Treasurer—A. P. Harrell, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

A. F. Niswonger, president, for two years; E. E. Jenkins, secretary, for one year; John A. Watson, for three years; A. P. Harrell, for four years; H. J. McKinnell, for five years.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

E. E. Robbins, president, La Fayette, Indiana; G. W. Gilkison, treasurer and secretary, Belmont, Illinois; U. S. Ferguson, S. J. Barger, A. J. Sibera.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions (fifteen cents), Church Extension (ten cents); second quarter, Home Missions (twelve cents), Delegates' Expenses to General Conference and Foreign Missions; third quarter, General Superintendents' Claim; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants' Fund.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?



## PREACHERS

E. E. Robbins,	J. H. Keys.	H. J. McKinnell,	A. F. Niswonger.
S. H. Lewis,	D. S. Moore,	U. S. Ferguson,	John A. Watson.
J. B. Hull,	E. E. Jenkins,	A. P. Harrell,	E. T. Corson,
H. B. Ambler,	S. P. Mercer,	W. H. Dellbridge,	Arnold Becker,
N. S. Ogborn,	David Cooper,	A. W. Brant,	H. Hedrick,
G. W. Gilkison,	H. Prust,	J. L. Duvall,	G. Holborow,
E. T. Lloyd,	W. F. Prout,	M. M. Kern,	R. H. Clark.

## DELEGATES

Frank Cullison,	W. H. Armentrout,	R. S. Kellum,	Jasper Cohoon,
J. C. Maves,	D. Duvall,	F. P. Tooker,	Mary E. Simpkins,
G. W. Grosshart,	Joseph Pearson,	Fred Wagner,	S. J. Barger,
J. N. Wilson,	Pearl Connett,	John Bell,	A. J. Sibera,
David Irvin,	W. S. Avery.		

2. Who are the stationing committee?—W. A. Sellw, U. S. Ferguson, John A. Watson, S. J. Barger, Frank Cullison.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? George S. Lutz.

4. Who remain on trial? J. F. Erwin, J. B. Lutz, Wallace McVey, C. W. Haney, R. F. Durham.

6. Who are the deacons? George Holborow, H. Hedrick, A. W. Brant, W. F. Prout, of the first class; H. B. Ambler, Edgar Lloyd, J. L. Duvall, G. W. Gilkison.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? David Cooper.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? J. H. Keys.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? H. G. Bachman.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer? R. H. Clark.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation, etc.? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? Charles McVey.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23. See statistics.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$125.00.

24. See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Neoga, Illinois, as near the first of September, 1902, as can be arranged by the general superintendents.

## APPOINTMENTS

ATTICA DISTRICT.—U. S. FERGUSON, District Elder, Sidell, Illinois.

Attica, Antioch, Black Rock.....W. G. McVey, Attica, Indiana  
 La Fayette.....E. E. Robbins, La Fayette, "  
 Frankfort.....E. T. Corson, Frankfort, "  
 Oxford, Templeton and Boswell.....J. F. Erwin, Oxford, "  
 Hoopeston, Bethel and Youngs.....George S. Lutz, Jamesburg, Illinois  
 Marshfield.....A. F. Niswonger, Marshfield, Indiana  
 S. H. Lewis, A. P. Harrell, conference evangelists; N. S. Ogborn, left without an appointment; R. H. Clark, granted a certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

TOLEDO DISTRICT.—U. S. FERGUSON, District Elder.

Neoga, Pleasant Grove and Kingman.....J. B. Lutz, Neoga, Illinois  
 Westfield, Mt. Olive and Charleston.....E. T. Lloyd, Westfield, "

Arcola and Camargo.....W. F. Prout, Arcola, Illinois  
 Tuscola and Sidell.....R. F. Durham, Sidell, "  
 Rantoul, Urbana and Sugar Grove.....A. W. Brant, Rantoul, "  
 David Cooper, supernumerary; W. H. Delbridge, Arnold Becker, M. M. Kern, left without appointment.

**WABASH DISTRICT.**—JOHN A. WATSON, District Elder, Clay City, Indiana.

West Salem, Mt. Zion and Mt. Hope.....J. L. Duvall, West Salem, Illinois  
 Belmont, Mt. Carmel and Keensburg.....George Holborow, Belmont, "  
 Vincennes, Lawrenceville and Spring Hill.....S. P. Mercer, Vincennes, Indiana  
 Birds, Bee Branch, Island, etc.....G. W. Gilkison, Belmont, Illinois  
 Clay City and Terre Haute.....H. Prust, Clay City, Indiana  
 St. Francisville, Liberty and New Hope.....J. B. Hull, Berryville, Illinois  
 J. H. Keys, superannuated; H. Hedrick, D. S. Moore, left without appointment.

**EVANSVILLE DISTRICT.**—JOHN A. WATSON, District Elder.

Decker and Harmony.....To be supplied  
 Ft. Branch.....C. W. Haney, Ft. Branch, Indiana  
 Tennyson, Bloomfield and Millstone.....H. H. McKinnell, Tennyson, Indiana  
 Evansville.....H. B. Ambler, Evansville, "  
 E. E. Jenkins, conference evangelist.

## CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS' ADDRESSES

S. H. Lewis.....Attica, Indiana  
 A. P. Harrell.....Crawfordsville, "  
 E. E. Jenkins.....Decker, "  
 Mrs. Pyrla McVey.....Attica, "  
 Mrs. Ella Niswonger.....Marshfield, "

## WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

President, Mattie B. Lawrence.....441 South Sixteenth street, Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Niswonger.....Marshfield, "  
 Corresponding secretary, Nellie Allen.....Ft. Branch, "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

FOR PUBLISHING THE MINUTES.—\$20.00.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Amount apportioned, \$80.30.

Amount paid, \$52.10; deficit, \$28.20.

HOME MISSIONS.—Amount assessed, \$200.75.

Amount paid, \$140.51; deficit, \$60.24.

Paid Frankfort charge, \$48.00; Millstone and Rome circuit, \$48.00; E. T. Lloyd, \$10.00; J. L. Duvall, \$10.00; E. E. Jenkins, \$10.00; George Holborow, \$7.26; R. F. Durham, \$7.25.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Amount apportioned and paid, \$144.54.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Amount apportioned, \$120.45

Amount paid, \$122.15.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Amount paid, \$35.57.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Amount apportioned, \$240.90; deficit due claimants, \$4.63. Total, \$245.53.

Amount raised, \$245.53.

Paid J. H. Keys, \$100.00; paid Oscar Foote's child, \$36.00; paid deficit due claimants, \$4.63; paid general fund, \$104.90. Total, \$245.53.

CHILDREN'S FUND.—Amount raised, \$10.55.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—Amount raised, \$2.18.

## II.—ON MEMOIRS.

Since its last session our conference has suffered the loss by death of Rev. Charles McVey, a man of blessed memory, who lived for God and died at his post. For eleven years our brother made full proof of his ministry on Decker, Calhoun, Arcola, Urbana, Hoopeston, Oxford, Pleasant Grove, Ft. Branch, Victory and Frankfort circuits. We shall endeavor to close up the ranks and meet him in glory. May the God of all grace bless and sustain his bereaved wife and son.

## III.—ON STATE OF THE WORK.

The work in the Wabash conference is, in the main, on the advance. Good meetings have been held and some have been saved and added to the church. Four excellent camp-meetings have been held in which many were saved and sanctified. At Sidell a new church has been erected. At Rantoul a new parsonage has just been completed. LaFayette, Charleston, Neoga, Ft. Branch and Tennyson have made improvements on church property. An excellent well has been sunk on the Tennyson camp-ground. A good parsonage with twenty-four acres of ground has been purchased at Millstone.

We deplore such a deficit in our conference collections.

We recommend that our pastors be more diligent in pastoral visiting.

We also would emphasize the admonition of our Discipline that all our preachers conduct themselves prudently with women.

## IV.—ON REFORMS.

SABBATH DESECRATION.—The Sabbath as a day of rest is ignored to an alarming extent. It is constantly violated by railroads, street cars and various public works, also by foot and base ball games and in numberless other ways. Free Methodists may not be guilty of Sabbath desecration by going on excursions, but Sabbath visiting should be closely guarded against as it is the thin edge to the wedge of Sabbath desecration in a more flagrant form. Let our preachers give no uncertain sound on this subject.

THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.—Dark, bloody and murderous the juggernaut of intemperance rears its hideous form, and parades in brazen effrontery through our beautiful land, blighting, withering and cursing, and with killing grasp controlling the political fabric of our glorious republic. We therefore commend our Congress for its action in abolishing the army canteen and pray that the action may ever be sustained. We reaffirm that the liquor traffic cannot be legalized without sin. The law-making power lies within the ballot. The votes cast the ballot. Therefore, the individual who votes to legalize the accursed traffic, commits sin. As Free Methodists we pledge ourselves to vote as we pray and to support the only party opposed to the liquor traffic.

ROMANISM.—Since Romanism is ever the avowed enemy of liberty, law and order, and opposed to the free institutions of our glorious country, the crafty and bloody opponent of Protestantism and vital and practical religion; and that as of old she is, if not so manifestly, yet just as truly the mother of harlots whose robes are dyed in the blood of the martyrs, we see the need of being on our guard and of opposing it in all its branches, while we uphold along with the stars and stripes a salvation which implies liberty, law and love.

DRESS.—We are pleased to note that as a rule our conference holds strictly to plainness in dress, yet with sadness we have to confess that there is in some places a tendency to conform just a little to the world. We are satisfied that this is one of the most dangerous rocks on which our ship, Zion, may be wrecked. We urge our preachers to give the

trumpet no uncertain sound on this matter, and see to it that themselves and wife and children set an example of plainness and simplicity in attire. We also urge that our preachers obey our Discipline in reading "Wesley's Sermon on Dress."

**SECRET SOCIETIES.**—We regard oath-bound secret societies as pernicious in their influence among both sexes. They form one of the most formidable obstacles to the spread of the gospel of him who in defense of his gospel said, I spake openly to the world, I have taught in the synagogue and in the temple whither the Jews always resort, and in secret have I said nothing. Therefore we endorse the language of Joseph Cook who said, "Let those who are out of oath-bound secret societies stay out. We exhort you to stay out in the name of personal independence, stay out in the name of patriotism, stay out in the name of Christianity, and to you who are inside oath-bound secret organizations we say come out as free men."

#### V.—ON CHURCH LITERATURE.

Inasmuch as Jesus said, "Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life," and as our eternal happiness depends upon our obedience to the commands of God, therefore, nothing should be more interesting than the careful reading of such literature as plainly teaches God's will. We recognize the Bible as the foundation of holiness and meekness and would urge its prayerful reading. We feel that as an exponent of scriptural holiness and teacher of wholesome doctrine the *Free Methodist* is the best paper in the world. We urge our members to subscribe for it, thus obtaining the best thoughts of our most learned and holy men. We note with pleasure the increasing success of our Sabbath-school literature and urge our people everywhere to use it. Its purity of tone and doctrine are its own recommendation. We are sorry there is such indifference among some of our people about taking our church paper. We trust the time will speedily come when every Free Methodist family will have it.

#### VI.—ON EDUCATION.

We, your committee on education, respectfully call attention to the fact that the children of this age not only need an education but need a Christian education—an education on such lines as will conduce to their getting saved and staying saved. To this end with gratitude to God we call your attention to the fact that Greenville College is our college, and those seminaries raised up by faithful men and women of God are our seminaries. The boys and girls of our country and especially of our church should be encouraged to attend them. Consecrated means should be devoted to aid them that the church may be filled with useful men and women of God.

#### VII.—ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

The Sabbath-school work is one in which both young and old should be earnestly engaged. It is a mistaken idea that any member of our church gets too old to be in regular attendance at Sabbath-school. If any cannot read or may be deaf, they should by their presence sanction and encourage the great object of the work—the conversion and sanctification of those concerned. It is our candid opinion that the failures are largely due to the absence of so many of our adult members from the Sabbath-school.

We urge that in no case shall persons be allowed to teach in our schools who are not earnest Christians and in full sympathy with our peculiar church issues. We also recommend that all our preachers, so far as practicable, take a deeper interest in Sabbath-school work and put away the flimsy excuse that time spent in Sabbath-school work conflicts with their ministerial duties. Let us, as preachers, parents, members, do better work in the future and be Free Methodists in the Sabbath-school as well as in the church. We recommend our own Sabbath-school literature.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WABASH CONFERENCE

ATTICA, TOLEDO, WABASH AND EVANSVILLE DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
ATTICA DISTRICT	U. S. Ferguson, District Elder	37	2	39	39	2	15	78	9	\$ 8.40	\$ 5.04	\$7.00	\$3.60	\$2.80	.....	\$4.48	.....
Attica and Antioch.....	E. T. Corson.....	20	1	21	21	1	9	43	2	9.57	4.20	7.25	5.90	2.80	.....	2.80	.....
Frankfort.....	E. E. Robinson.....	29	4	33	33	1	7	25	3	6.13	4.70	5.00	4.10	2.80	.....	6.08	.....
Oxford, Templeton, Roswell, etc.....	J. F. Erwin.....	33	4	37	37	1	7	25	11	10.50	6.30	5.55	3.50	2.75	.....	.....	.....
Hoopston, Bethel, Youngs.....	Wm. F. Prout.....	28	2	30	30	2	10	50	6	7.20	4.12	6.00	4.80	2.40	.....	5.50	.....
Marshallfield.....	A. F. Niswonger.....	40	1	41	41	2	8	40	6	11.10	6.66	9.25	7.40	3.70	.....	9.00	.....
Black Rock.....	S. H. Lewis, supply.....	4	8	12	12	1	6	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOLEDO DISTRICT	U. S. Ferguson, District Elder	32	8	40	40	8	15	75	7	9.00	4.95	4.08	4.06	2.30	.....	1.00	.....
Toledo, Pleasant Grove, Kingman, etc.....	J. B. Lutz.....	31	1	32	32	8	18	60	12	13.30	6.60	12.75	10.20	2.00	.....	5.00	.....
Westfield, Charleston and Mt. Olive.....	J. L. Duval.....	12	1	13	13	1	3	14	3	3.60	2.60	1.64	1.00	75	.....	.....	.....
Arcola and Camargo.....	E. E. Jenkins.....	21	3	24	24	1	2	42	5	5.10	3.06	4.25	3.40	1.70	.....	.....	.....
Tuscola and Sidell.....	R. F. Durham.....	40	1	41	41	2	13	65	13	12.9	7.74	10.75	8.60	3.30	.....	4.00	.....
Urbana, Rantoul, Thomasboro.....	H. G. Bachman.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
WABASH DISTRICT	John A. Watson, Dist. Elder	80	2	82	82	1	18	125	24	22.50	13.50	11.15	12.92	7.50	.....	7.75	.....
West Salem, Mt. Hope, Mt. Zion, etc.....	H. Prust.....	71	5	76	76	1	8	100	13	23.43	10.65	14.20	10.65	6.80	.....	2.85	.....
Rehoboth, Mt. Carmel, Keensburg.....	G. W. Glickson.....	21	5	26	26	1	4	15	3	4.80	2.88	4.47	3.92	1.88	.....	.....	.....
Victor and Dark Bend.....	E. T. Lloyd.....	40	3	43	43	1	8	15	6	12.00	6.90	8.00	4.75	1.42	.....	.....	.....
Birds, Bee Branch, Island.....	S. P. Mercer.....	48	1	49	49	2	7	48	3	12.00	6.50	8.00	3.50	2.66	.....	.....	.....
Lawrenceville and Vincennes.....	George Hoborow.....	29	1	30	30	1	3	100	5	8.50	4.07	4.25	4.00	2.00	.....	50	.....
St. Francisville, Liberty, New Hope.....	A. W. Brant.....	71	5	76	76	2	14	55	22	15.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	3.07	.....	5.00	.....
Clay City and Terre Haute.....	A. P. Harrell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
EVANSVILLE DISTRICT	John A. Watson, Dist. Elder	18	1	19	19	1	1	.....	2	2.44	1.44	2.00	1.60	80	.....	.....	.....
Evansville.....	J. H. Collins.....	24	1	25	25	2	1	.....	4	7.10	2.85	4.25	2.25	1.70	.....	5.20	.....
Townson, Richfield, Yanketown.....	H. J. McKinnel.....	28	1	29	29	2	5	30	4	4.92	2.70	2.50	2.45	1.50	.....	.....	.....
Millstone and Rome.....	H. B. Ambler.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	750	60	840	840	11	4	42	2	\$311.49	\$117.38	\$140.32	\$114.28	\$55.43	.....	\$57.81	\$9.00



## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WABASH CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
ATTICA DISTRICT											
Attica and Antioch.....		\$2 07	\$21 30		\$275 20	\$40 00	\$ 11 40	2	\$ 3000	1	\$1000
La Fayette.....			33 79		325 00	45 00	35 00	1	800	1	500
Frankfort.....		1 20	6 54		207 22	26 85		1	500		
Oxford, Templeton, Boswell etc.....			10 00		271 75	45 35	56 14	4	2800	1	600
Hoopeston, Bethel, Youngs.....			20 00		365 56	56 00	21 75	2	1600	1	600
Marshfield.....	1 58	1 93	15 23		366 25	45 00		1	800	1	700
Black Rock.....			10 00								
TOLEDO DISTRICT											
Toledo Pleasant Grove, etc.....	60	1 50	19 00		\$272 59	49 37	117 17	4	2500	1	500
Westfield, Charleston, Mt. Olive.....		3 00	32 35		335 42	48 19	80 00	3	2400	1	800
Arcola and Camargo.....			7 45		94 75	30 80		2	1600	1	300
Urbana and Sidell.....		85	24 90		244 20	31 50	63 65	2	1800		
Urbana, Rantoul, Thomasboro.....			35 75		415 45	48 00	34 00	4	3500	1	900
WABASH DISTRICT											
West Salem, Mt. Hope, Mt. Zion.....					365 35	60 00	50 00	4	1800	1	500
Bellmont, Mt. Carmel, etc.....			28 45		497 32	51 40	45 45	3	3400	2	800
Victory and Dark Bend.....			3 00		108 35	18 00	2 35	2	1400		
Birds, Bee Branch, Island.....					314 75	50 25		3	1550	1	325
Lawrenceville and Vincennes.....					267 35	35 00		2	1800	1	450
St. Francisville, Liberty, New Hope.....			30 45		252 00	40 40		3	2100	1	800
Clay City and Terre Haute.....			58 96		359 03	71 00	25 00	2	1600	1	600
EVANSVILLE DISTRICT											
Evansville.....			12 00		121 23	40 00		1	1500	1	1000
Tennyson, Bloomfield, etc.....			16 80		128 45	40 00	12 85	2	900		
Millstone and Rome.....					181 66	35 00		1	500	1	500
Total.....	\$2 18	\$10 55	\$385 97		\$5779 38	\$907 11	\$554 76	49	\$37850 19		\$10875

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Minutes of the Forty-Second Annual Session, held at Elgin, Illinois, September 24-29, 1901

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HENRY LENZ, Secretary.

GEORGE BRADFIELD, Assistant Secretary.

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W. E. BARDELL, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, F. D. Brooke, D. W. Rose, W. J. Bone, J. D. Marsh, W. C. Willing, W. M. Kelsey.

On Home Missions—The stationing committee.

On Sunday-schools—J. D. Marsh, Arthur Perry, J. H. Porter, W. S. Scalf, J. H. Polly.

On Publications—W. P. Ferries, S. J. DeYoung, T. B. Arnold, T. Heavisides.

On Reforms—D. W. Rose, C. W. Lyman, William Masters, George Kiltz.

On State of the Work—J. D. Kelsey, F. D. Brooke, H. O. Hubbard, F. M. Campbell, B. D. Fay, M. S. M. West, W. A. Huston.

On Education—A. W. Parry, A. L. Whitcomb, J. G. Rockenbach, W. M. Kelsey, J. Harvey.

On Extension of the Work—E. G. Cryer, W. E. Bardell, J. F. Hill, W. J. Jackson, W. J. Bone, B. D. Fay.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Raising Funds for Publishing the Minutes—P. W. Newcomer.

Auditing Committee—W. P. Ferries, F. M. Campbell.

On Reduction of Railroad Fare—J. D. Kelsey.

On Examining Quarterly Conference Records—A. L. Whitcomb, J. T. Tait, A. W. Parry, J. G. Rockenbach, J. D. Marsh.

To Report for the Press—C. W. Lyman.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

J. H. Porter, T. Heavisides, J. W. Beebe, time expires, 1902.

J. D. Kelsey, W. P. Ferries, F. D. Brooke, time expires, 1903.

J. D. Marsh, H. O. Hubbard, J. H. Woertendyke, time expires, 1904.

## TRUSTEES OF THE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

W. P. Ferries, R. B. McKee, time expires, 1902.

J. T. Taylor, Charles Wright, time expires, 1903.

J. D. Kelsey, W. J. Jackson, time expires, 1904.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

J. D. Marsh, W. E. Bardell, H. O. Hubbard, T. Heavisides, J. H. Porter.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

J. H. Woertendyke, time expires, 1902. J. D. Kelsey, time expires, 1905.

J. G. Rockenbach, time expires, 1903. F. M. Campbell, time expires, 1906.

B. D. Fay, time expires, 1904.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Sunday-schools—P. W. Newcomer. On Publications—Henry Lenz.

On State of the Work—H. O. Hubbard. On Reforms—A. L. Whitcomb.

On Extension of the Work—J. D. Marsh. On Education—F. D. Brooke.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

James Sprague,	J. D. Marsh,	J. D. Kelsey,	W. P. Ferries.
F. D. Brooke,	P. W. Newcomer,	W. M. Kelsey,	J. T. Taylor.
H. O. Hubbard,	John Harvey,	W. O. McNeil,	W. E. Bardell.
F. M. Fish,	J. H. Wærtendyke.	A. W. Parry,	B. D. Fay,
J. G. Rockenbach,	D. W. Rose,	J. H. Polly,	Peter Zeller,
C. W. Lyman,	E. G. Cryer,	M. L. Johnson,	S. J. DeYoung,
W. H. Winters,	J. F. Hill,	G. H. Behner,	Henry Lenz,
F. M. Campbell,	W. J. Bone,	A. L. Whitcomb,	D. M. Smashey.
W. C. Willing,	W. S. Scalf.		

### DELEGATES

Thomas Heavisides,	M. S. M. West,	S. C. Curtis,	T. B. Arnold.
L. D. Dresselhaus,	William Masters,	W. J. Jackson,	Maria Rose,
James T. Tait,	George Kiltz,	J. H. Porter,	Ingool Christianson,
Hattie Ruby,	Jennie Wessels,	M. D. Bruce,	May Kiltz,
William Hanks,	Cyrus E. Gilbert,	W. A. Huston,	Ida Goodrich,
Arthur Perry,	Clara Burdick.	William Cryer,	Ellen Ross,
J. E. Cronk.			

2. Who are the stationing committee? W. A. Sellow, J. D. Kelsey, F. D. Brooke, H. O. Hubbard, T. B. Arnold, M. S. M. West, William Masters.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? George Bradfield, T. C. Wendell.

4. Who remain on trial? R. G. Wilkin.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? W. C. Willing, W. S. Scalf.

6. Who are the deacons? Of the second class, W. C. Willing, W. S. Scalf.

7, 8, 9. None.

10. Who are the superannuated preachers? James Sprague, A. W. Parry, Peter Zeller, F. M. Fish, J. H. Wærtendyke.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? D. M. Smashey, from the Platte River conference.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? T. H. Marsh, to the North Dakota conference.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical report.

21, 23. See reports and statistics.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Saint Charles, Illinois, as near the second Tuesday in September, 1902, as possible.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The forty-second annual session was held in the Free Methodist church at Elgin, Illinois. General Superintendent Sellow presided. The Lord's Supper was administered in connection with the opening exercises.

The conference set aside the first half hour of each sitting for devotional exercises, including a fifteen minutes' talk by the general superintendent which proved a very pleasant and helpful feature of the conference.

The conference was glad to greet for the first time our General Superintendent Wal

ter A. Sellow, and conference and general superintendent worked very harmoniously together.

The conference ordered the election of three traveling district elders. An unusual occurrence took place in connection with this election in that four of the leading brethren resigned after having been elected. The fifth offered to resign, but the conference refused to concur. H. O. Hubbard, B. D. Fay and W. J. Bone were the three elders who were elected.

The conference collections were ordered to be taken as follows: Home Missions, October; General Missions, January; General Conference Delegates' Expenses, February; Church Extension, March; Evansville Seminary, April; Conference Claimants', June; General Superintendents', August.

The following collections were taken during the conference: To defray secretary's expenses, \$8.90; for publishing the minutes, \$31.20; for resident pastor, \$20.25; free-will offering for A. W. Parry, \$41.50; to clear indebtedness on the Benevolent Property at South Elgin, \$234.41; for Woodstock Home, \$55.00; for Olive Branch Mission, \$100.00.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society held a public service on Friday evening, at which time Missionary Secretary B. Winget made the principal address.

The following ministers preached during the conference: J. D. Marsh, W. C. Willing, W. A. Sellow, W. J. Bone, W. B. Olmstead, L. B. Webb, B. Winget, W. T. Hogue, A. L. Whitcomb, J. D. Kelsey.

The following ministers were introduced to the conference: F. E. Hall and J. W. Hel-muth of the Congregational church. W. T. Hogue, editor of the *Free Methodist*; W. B. Olmstead, Sunday-school secretary; F. A. Harding and F. F. Farmeloe of the M. E. church; J. E. Coleman and L. B. Webb of the Wisconsin conference; G. C. Coffee of the South Dakota conference; B. Winget, missionary secretary; George Husser of the Evangelical Association.

Letters were read from the following absent brethren of the conference: J. T. Taylor, missionary to India; W. H. Winters, of Greenville, Texas; F. M. Fish, missionary to Alabama; James Sprague, superannuated.

The conference found a street fair in progress, and during the entire week the town seemed to be turned over to his Satanic majesty, and bedlam reigned. But the members of the conference entered a protest in the name of God, by holding several street meetings, which proved seasons of blessing.

The conference was royally entertained by the good people of Elgin, and especial mention should be made of the untiring efforts of the resident pastor, D. W. Rose, in providing for the wants of the conference.

The conference sittings were characterized by harmony, and good feeling prevailed throughout.

## APPOINTMENTS

CHICAGO DISTRICT.—H. O. HUBBARD, District Elder, 480 Division street, Elgin, Illinois.

Chicago, First Church.....	C. W. Lyman, 435 Carroll avenue, Chicago, Illinois
— " Second Church.....	J. D. Kelsey, 48 Lexington street, " "
— " Dearborn Street and South Chicago.....	" "
— " Humboldt Park.....	F. D. Brooke, 5251 Dearborn street, Chicago, Illinois
— " Aurora.....	J. D. Marsh, 981 North California avenue, " "
— " Evanston.....	W. C. Willing, 105 South Lincoln avenue, Aurora, Illinois
— " Harvey and South Englewood.....	A. L. Whitcomb, 1814 Ridge avenue, Evanston, " "
— " Crawford.....	John Harvey, Harvey, " "
— " Melrose Park.....	C. M. Stirdivant, supply, Chicago, " "
— " Glen Ellyn.....	J. F. Hill, Melrose Park, " "
— " "	T. B. Arnold, supply

J. T. Taylor, missionary to India; A. W. Parry, superannuated; E. A. Tapper, recommended to the notice of the district elder.

**ELGIN DISTRICT.**—B. D. FAY, District Elder, Belvidere, Illinois.

Elgin and South Elgin.....	W. P. Ferries, 63 Villa street, Elgin, Illinois
Freeport and Lena.....	D. W. Rose, 24 American street, Freeport, "
Winnebago and Ridott.....	T. C. Wendell, Ella Wendell, supply, Winnebago. "
Belvidere and Rockford.....	E. G. Cryer, Belvidere, "
Marengo and Woodstock.....	R. G. Wilkin, Marengo, "
Cary and Algonquin.....	D. M. Smashey, Algonquin, "
Crystal Lake and Pleasant Valley.....	J. G. Rockenbach, Nunda, "
St. Charles.....	W. M. Kelsey, St. Charles, "
Sycamore and South Burlington.....	P. W. Newcomer, Sycamore. "
Franklin Grove and Ashton.....	To be supplied
Dustin.....	To be supplied
Franklin.....	To be supplied

W. E. Bardell, manager of Chicago Industrial Home, Woodstock, Illinois; J. H. Woertendyke, superannuated; Peter Zeller, superannuated; F. M. Fish, superannuated.

**PEORIA DISTRICT.**—W. J. BONE, District Elder, Fairbury, Illinois.

Peoria and Limestone.....	Henry Lenz, 604 Windom street, Peoria, Illinois
East Peoria and Pekin.....	G. H. Behner, East Peoria, "
Deer Creek and Bethel.....	G. C. Mills, supply, Deer Creek, "
Fairbury.....	George Bradfield, Fairbury, "
Streator.....	To be supplied

M. L. Johnson, missionary to Alabama, Deer Park, Alabama; W. H. Winters, evangelist, Greenville, Texas.

**KEWANEE DISTRICT.**—W. J. BONE, District Elder.

Kewanee, Saxon and Galva.....	F. M. Campbell, 106 East First street, Kewanee, Illinois
Sheffield and Atkinson.....	J. W. Helmuth, supply, Sheffield, "
New Bedford and Leon.....	J. H. Polly, New Bedford, "
Knoxville.....	To be supplied
Sherrard and Viola.....	Lizzie Haist, supply, Sherrard, Illinois
Princeton.....	To be supplied

James Sprague, superannuated, Princeton, Illinois; W. C. McNeil, evangelist, Knoxville, Illinois.

**MORRIS DISTRICT.**—W. J. BONE, District Elder.

Morris and Mazon.....	W. S. Scaff, Morris, Illinois
Kempton and Gardner.....	S. J. DeYoung, Kempton, "

**CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS**

Mrs. Belle Smashey,	Mrs. Lizzie Brooke,	Mrs. Maria Rose,	Sadie Cryer,
Clara Burdick,	Lizzie Haist,	Bertha Rubeck,	Mrs. Ella Wendell,
Mrs. Minnie E. Bardell,	Mrs. Jennie Wessels,	Mrs. Eva R. Willing,	A. E. Burlison.
Mrs. Della B. Bone.			

**LOCAL ELDERS**

William Morrison.....	St. Charles, Illinois
J. L. Ward.....	St. Charles, Illinois

**LOCAL DEACONS**

T. C. Wendell.....	Winnebago, Illinois
W. P. Laswell.....	Peoria, "

**SECRETARY'S ADDRESS**

Henry Lenz.....	605 Windom street, Peoria, Illinois
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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessment, \$303.00.

Paid to S. K. J. Chesbro, \$196.62; paid to W. E. Bardell, \$109.17. Total, \$305.79.  
Surplus, \$2.79.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessment, \$151.50.

Paid to S. K. J. Chesbro, \$123.00; paid to W. E. Bardell, \$21.37. Total, \$144.37.  
Deficit, \$7.13.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Assessment, \$101.00.

Paid to S. K. J. Chesbro, \$72.30; paid to W. E. Bardell, \$19.40. Total, \$91.70.  
Deficit, \$9.30.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' CLAIM.—Assessment, \$181.80.

Paid to S. K. J. Chesbro, \$97.36; paid to W. E. Bardell, \$83.15. Total, \$180.51.  
Deficit, \$1.29.

HOME MISSIONS.—On hand from 1900, \$2.18; received from various sources, \$194.27.  
Total \$196.45.

Disbursements: Paid to F. D. Brooke, \$100.00; John Harvey, \$50.00; Peter Zeller, \$25.00; G. C. Mills, \$15.00; W. P. Ferries, \$3.50; postage, etc., \$3.49. Total, \$196.99. Deficit, \$0.54.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Paid to W. E. Bardell, \$28.27.

EVANSVILLE SEMINARY.—Paid to W. E. Bardell, \$42.85.

### II.—ON THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT M'KINLEY AND THE STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

Jesus was full of gentleness and love, yet he declares that "he came not to send peace on the earth, but a sword." But it was sin he came to destroy. He can behold iniquity with no degree of allowance. By the sword and by the torch the warriors of ancient times undertook to destroy and to subjugate. In these days Nihilism and Anarchism seek to break down all law and all other safeguards to human society. They say, "Down with the state, down with the family, down with the church, down with God." What do they offer us in exchange for these? Nothing but the wild dreams of fanatics and fools! We have congratulated ourselves that Anarchism could flourish only upon the soil of despotism, but are suddenly and cruelly awakened, only to behold the club of the assassin raised to strike down our free institutions, and the weapon of the red handed Anarchist turned upon the loved and honored chief executive of a free and most prosperous nation.

It is indeed an appalling calamity that has befallen us, a fiendish outburst of the very hate of hell, and every loyal American is stricken with grief and shame. Were William McKinley a Nero, a Caligula or a Genghis Khan, or even the despotic ruler of any absolute monarchy, we would not have been surprised if some Ehud, or some oppressed slave had cut him down. But for a noble minded man, in the beginning of his second term of official service, in the discharge of honorable public duty, without a known enemy, without offense to any, immediately after his lips had uttered sentiments of the purest patriotism, the highest wisdom, and the noblest and most sincere good-will to all, and in the midst of a period of unparalleled prosperity largely due, under God, no doubt, to his wise and careful administration,—for such a man to be stricken down at such a time argues a deeper and more fearful state of affairs than the fact, horrible as it is, that a half-crazed and unprincipled being fired a shot that wrecked one and perhaps several lives, and paralyzed a mighty nation with grief and perplexity.

If Anarchy is an exotic plant that cannot flourish in an intelligent, democratic country, what is the cause of the frequent and wide-spread convulsions, social and even political, that at times seem to threaten the very life of our nation? Why is the jurisdiction of lynch law on the increase and so often paramount? Why have deaths by murder increased 500 per cent, and deaths by suicide 600 per cent., during the last ten years? Why has the population of our prisons increased sixteen per cent., and the population of our insane asylums fifty per cent, faster than the outside population during the last thirty years? What significance is there in the fact that deaths from alcoholism have increased ten per cent, during the last twenty years?

Are not our American Sabbaths a thing of the past? Woe worth the day! Upwards of 23,000 divorce cases in 1899 is but the volcanic vent of an alarming state of domestic infidelity, hidden to all eyes but God's. The municipal government of our cities, great and small, is a question that should startle and interest every Christian patriot. Capital and labor are still in a life and death struggle, and Bacchus, the God of wine and of lust, that monster of iniquity, sits over against our legislative halls and dictates our national policy and devours our substance. If these are but surface conditions, what subterranean fires must burn beneath our social fabric? It has been said "that all our national woes are due to the 'deluge' of the poor and uneducated of world nationalities that annually pour in upon our shores." Perhaps! but the Central Atlantic of torrid regions that receives the

frigid currents from the poles continually turns them back as warm gulf streams freighted with comfort and warmth for many nations, and if the heart of the church of America were hot with the love of a Christ-life, would she not cause rich and poor, capitalist and laborer, to sit together, and turn back the red-handed Anarchists of Europe and Asia to their own clime, with a heart of love and a hand of assistance for their fellows whose hearts are hot with wrath against God and man, and all because they were trained in an environment of prodigal wealth and luxury on the one hand, and pinching poverty and deep despair on the other.

Who is responsible for this condition of things unless it be the visible church, that Cain like has refused to become its brother's keeper. When the question was put to General William Booth, "What is the most alarming fact that faces the new century," he replied, "A religion without the Holy Ghost, a Christianity without Christ, justification without repentance, salvation without regeneration, politics without God, and heaven without a hell," and I would add, without a fitness for heaven.

A superficial treatment is evidently inadequate to the present condition of affairs. More heroic measures must be adopted. Present reforms must begin at the heart and must transform the entire man.

We have men and women who believe in and support all the great questions of reform now before the nation, who are yet without God in the world. We may be as strict as Pharisees, and no less Pharisaical; we may be as orthodox as Satan, and no less devilish; we may be as clean externally as a saint and yet be full of dead men's bones, "for out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness and blasphemies, these are the things that defile a man." We may never touch a woman, and yet be an adulterer; we may never take forbidden goods, and yet be a thief; we may never take a life, and yet be a murderer. Hence we need the red blood of sacrifice and the white heat of divine love that purifieth the heart and worketh no ill to his neighbor. Therefore, be it

*Resolved, First,* That we should seek for, and hold to a correct attitude on all great questions that affect the interests of mankind and the kingdom of God, and further, that with no less carefulness we should see to it, that our hearts are warm with the love and sympathy born of a deep fellowship with Christ by the Holy Ghost.

*Second,* That we have, and do hereby express a heartfelt sympathy for Mrs. McKinley in this hour of suffering and anguish, that has come upon her in the loss of a noble, loving and most chivalrous husband.

*Third,* That we urge our rulers in their respective spheres of authority, to do their utmost to stamp out that vile spirit of lawlessness, that seeks to cut all cords of restraint, and turn our world over to the accursed rule of diabolism, and we hereby earnestly petition our representatives both state and national, to so legislate as to make the adoption of anarchistic doctrines such an offense as to necessitate the giving of bonds for keeping the peace.

*Fourth,* That we hereby pledge ourselves to do our utmost to arouse the entire church to a sense of her responsibility in the present crisis, and further that we shall endeavor by the help of God to keep our own hearts pure, and our own hands clean.

*Fifth,* That we will give ourselves to, and believe the times demand a higher type of faith, a deeper experience of grace and a more energetic and heroic method of action than is commonly manifested at the present day.

"New occasions make new duties,

Time makes ancient good uncouth,

They must onward still and upward,

Who would keep abreast of truth.

Lo! before us gleam her camp fires,

We ourselves must pilgrims be,

Launch our Mayflower and steer boldly

Through the desperate winter sea,

Nor attempt the future's portals

With the past's blood-rusted key."

*Sixth,* That we hereby promise to give ourselves to prayer to Almighty God that he will sustain and comfort the broken-hearted widow of our last martyred President, that he will give grace and wisdom to his distinguished successor, our highly honored President Theodore Roosevelt, and that he will grant grace, mercy and peace unto us and all our people in these momentous times on which our age and nation have entered.

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, In the case of T. H. Marsh, one of our successful pastors, who was granted a certificate of his good standing by the Chicago district quarterly conference with the purpose of transferring to the North Dakota conference about the middle of last confer-

ence year, and touching whose case the published minutes of the last session of this conference made no mention whatever; and,

WHEREAS, The case was properly reported by his district elder and a communication from himself read to the conference, therefore

*Resolved, First,* That we very much regret such oversight in the case; and that our secretary be instructed to communicate with him, forwarding him a copy of these *preambles and resolutions*.

*Second,* That a copy of the above be made to appear in the published minutes of this session of the conference.

[Signed] JOHN HARVEY.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
<b>CHICAGO DISTRICT</b>											
Chicago, First Church.....	\$1 68	\$2 36	\$ 59 00	\$50 00	\$625 00	\$ 86 00	\$ 6 00	1	\$4000	1	\$2000
Chicago, Second Church.....		3 19	127 93		688 54	112 28		1	6000	1	2000
Chicago, Dearborn St and S. Chicago			90 00		552 96	89 35		1	6000	1	2000
Chicago, Humboldt Park.....			133 34		739 37	106 40		1	3500		
Chicago, Crawford.....	1 00		22 16		119 96	11 60		40	3000		
Chicago, Harvey and S. Englewood			39 05		410 00	74 12	16 00	1	2500		
Evanston.....			41 77		760 00	66 50	75 00	1	7000	1	3000
Melrose Park and Glen Ellyn.....		86	85 18		428 00	55 10		2	3500	2	3000
Aurora.....			48 47		646 66	72 20	51 07	1	8000	1	2000
St Charles.....		3 69	100 40		506 25	100 70		1	4000	1	1200
<b>FOX AND ROCK RIVER DISTRICT</b>											
Elgin and South Elgin.....			26 00		620 00	90 00		2	5800	2	2000
Freeport, Ridott, Lena.....			37 50		598 00	104 00		2	2700	1	1700
Winnebago and Rockford.....					200 00		33 00	1	1500		
Belvidere.....			25 55	1 75	420 00	66 00	42 05	1	1500	1	1500
Marengo and Woodstock.....			34 04		372 11	62 25		2	4000	1	800
Cary and Algonquin.....			8 00		375 00	54 00		2	1800	1	900
Crystal Lake and Pleasant Valley	3 80		21 32		391 14	88 00	39 85	2	1600	1	1200
Sycamore and South Burlington.....		1 50	24 50		452 54	50 00	9 00	2	2800	1	1200
Franklin Grove and Ashton.....	6 50				128 74	20 00	5 00	2	2300	1	1800
Dustin.....			15 00		31 46	18 40	28 27	1	1000	1	800
Rockford.....					14 75	16 09					
<b>PEORIA DISTRICT</b>											
Peoria and Limestone.....			35 69		487 11	88 00		2	4500	1	2500
East Peoria and Pekin.....			45 00		311 00	60 00		2	4200	1	900
Deer Creek, Bethel, Carlock.....			8 63		254 17	31 88		2	2000	1	500
Fairbury.....	4 02		33 31		508 40	74 00		1	2500	1	1000
Streator.....						13 20					
<b>KEWANEE DISTRICT</b>											
Kewanee, Galva, Saxon.....	2 61	3 10	26 48		472 72	92 37	10 22	1	2600	1	1700
Atkinson, Sheffield, Spring Valley		45	3 53		375 00	43 60	13 62	2	2000	1	800
Princeton.....			2 16	1 15	146 38	2 00		1	1000	1	500
New Bedford and Leon.....			6 50		269 00	48 00	16 00	1	300	1	500
Knoxville and Galesburg.....			3 50		160 50	20 00					
Sherrard.....	90		20 00		275 00	28 53	1 77	1	1000		
<b>MORRIS DISTRICT</b>											
Morris and Mazon.....			27 80		500 00	72 00	7 00	2	3250	2	2500
Kepton and Gardner.....	1 00		13 54	40	375 00	50 40	19 65	2	2800	1	1000
Total.....	\$21 51	\$15 15	\$1165 44	\$53 30	13204 76	\$1956 92	\$373 90	45	\$96650	28	\$37000

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE

## CHICAGO AND FOX AND ROCK RIVER DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER										General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday-Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
CHICAGO DISTRICT															
J. D. Kelsey, District Elder															
Chicago, First Church.....	46	20	66	1	3	1	12	98	12	\$12 60	\$ 7 56	\$ 8 40	\$6 30	\$ 4 40	\$ 53 64
Chicago, Second Church.....	72	6	78	1	3	1	12	70	21	17 70	10 62	11 80	8 85	5 90	120 15
Chicago, Dearborn St. and So. Chicago	44	1	45	1	1	1	18	119	9	14 40	8 50	9 60	7 20	4 80	7 96
Chicago, Humboldt Park.....	68	13	70	1	1	1	17	115	12	16 80	10 08	11 20	8 40	5 60	36 00
Chicago, Crawford.....	12	1	13	1	1	1	8	40	2	1 80	1 08	1 20	90	60	42
Chicago, Harvey and So. Englewood.	32	9	41	1	1	1	7	60	8	11 70	7 02	7 80	5 85	3 90	8 09
Evanston.....	36	15	51	1	1	1	9	79	9	10 50	6 30	5 60	5 25	3 50	27 50
Melrose Park and Glen Ellyn.....	30	5	35	1	3	2	20	93	5	8 70	5 22	5 80	4 35	2 90	18 00
Aurora.....	32	2	34	1	1	1	8	61	3	11 40	6 48	6 08	5 70	3 80	4 75
St. Charles.....	47	14	61	3	1	1	13	102	...	15 90	9 54	10 60	7 95	5 30	10 54
FOX AND ROCK RIVER DISTRICT															
F. D. Brooke, District Elder															
Elgin and South Elgin.....	40	9	49	2	1	2	12	60	10	13 50	8 10	9 00	6 75	11 50	7 55
Freeport, Ridott, Lena.....	49	1	49	1	1	1	11	65	9	17 16	9 36	8 84	5 50	...	26 83
Winnebago and Rockford.....	14	14	1	1	1	1	6	15	5	4 50	2 70	3 00	2 25	...	4 00
Belvidere.....	30	5	35	1	3	1	7	45	8	9 90	5 94	6 60	4 95	3 30	11 85
Marengo and Woodstock.....	29	2	31	1	2	10	50	10	9 30	9 30	5 58	6 20	4 65	3 10	32 00
Cary and Algonquin.....	23	23	1	1	1	6	20	7	7 50	7 50	4 50	5 00	3 75	2 50	10 00
Crystal Lake and Pleasant Valley...	34	34	2	2	2	8	35	8	7 50	10 20	6 12	6 80	5 10	3 40	39 31
Sycamore and South Burlington.....	25	1	27	2	2	8	35	8	7 50	3 00	4 50	5 00	3 75	2 50	10 05
Franklin Grove and Ashton.....	7	1	8	1	1	5	20	3	2 10	3 00	1 80	2 00	1 50	1 00	...
Dustin.....	7	1	8	1	1	5	20	3	2 10	3 00	1 80	2 00	1 50	1 00	...
E. G. Cryer.....	15	15	1	1	1	5	20	3	2 10	3 00	1 80	2 00	1 50	1 00	...
Rockford.....	15	15	1	1	1	5	20	3	2 10	3 00	1 80	2 00	1 50	1 00	...

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE—Continued

## PEORIA, KEWANEE AND MORRIS DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
PEORIA DISTRICT																	
Peoria and Limestone.....	H. O. Hubbard, District Elder	48	4	52	2	1	2	11	60	6	\$13 20	\$7 92	\$8 80	\$6 60	\$4 40	.....	.....
East Peoria, Pekin.....	Lizzie M. Haist, supply.....	26	4	30	1	2	10	85	3	9 00	5 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	\$4 00	.....
Deer Creek, Bethel, Carlock.....	T. Duncan.....	16	2	18	1	1	5	25	5	4 00	2 70	4 00	2 25	1 50	.....	.....	.....
Fairbury.....	G. C. Mills.....	41	4	45	1	1	14	95	14	11 10	6 66	4 40	5 55	3 70	.....	.....	\$15 46
Streator.....	W. J. Bone.....	4	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1 20	75	80	60	40	.....	1 00	.....
	H. O. Hubbard.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
KEWANEE DISTRICT																	
Kewanee, Galva, Saxon.....	H. O. Hubbard, District Elder	51	11	62	.....	1	8	40	15	15 18	8 28	9 20	6 90	4 60	.....	.....	\$6 69
Atkinson, Sheffield, Spring Valley.....	Henry Lenz.....	27	1	28	1	1	5	17	12	7 50	4 50	5 00	3 75	2 50	.....	2 30	.....
Princeton.....	G. Bradford.....	5	3	8	.....	1	5	10	2	1 32	72	80	60	40	.....	.....	.....
New Bedford and Leon.....	J. Sprague.....	21	1	22	.....	1	6	18	9	7 20	4 32	4 80	3 60	2 40	.....	.....	11 65
Knoxville and Galesburg.....	Peter Zeller.....	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	3 00	1 80	2 00	1 72	.....	.....	.....	3 65
Sherrard.....	W. C. McNeil.....	8	1	9	1	1	8	33	8	1 80	1 08	1 20	90	60	.....	.....	11 85
	T. C. Wendell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
MORRIS DISTRICT																	
Morris and Mazon.....	H. O. Hubbard, District Elder	38	.....	38	1	1	5	25	14	12 00	7 20	8 00	6 00	4 00	.....	6 10	.....
Kempton and Gardner.....	S. J. DeYoung.....	27	.....	27	2	1	6	25	8	9 24	5 04	5 05	4 20	2 80	.....	.....	.....
	W. S. Sealf.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		1005	197	1142	23	23	38	282	615	297	\$180 75	\$192 32	\$144 77	\$97 40	.....	\$143 98	\$489 28



# WEST IOWA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Seventeenth Annual Session, held at Polk City, Iowa, September  
11-15, 1901

## OFFICERS

B. R. JONES, President.

J. H. WILSON, Secretary and Treasurer.

D. C. LAMSON, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—B. R. Jones, J. H. Wilson, E. N. Miller.

On Publications—O. L. Mossman, D. C. Lamson, T. Woodmansee.

On Reforms—E. N. Miller, F. I. Waters, W. H. Wilfong.

On Education—M. D. Myers, J. F. Mudd, J. W. Blaine.

On Sabbath-schools—R. F. Johnston, G. W. Taylor, A. Smith.

On State of the Work—E. N. Miller, M. D. Myers.

On Publication of the Minutes—J. H. Wilson, D. C. Lamson.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—E. N. Miller, G. W. Taylor, J. F. Mudd.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—F. I. Waters.

On Home Missions—The stationing committee.

On Conference Claimants and Claims—The stationing committee.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

D. C. Lamson, for three years; J. H. Wilson, for two years; E. N. Miller, for one year.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

M. D. Myers, E. N. Miller, T. Woodmansee, F. I. Waters, J. W. Blaine.

## CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Publications—J. H. Wilson.

On Reforms—F. D. Christie.

On Education—D. C. Lamson.

On Sunday-schools—G. W. Taylor.

On State of the Work—The district elders.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

J. W. Dake,  
E. N. Miller,  
J. J. Wolf,  
M. D. Myers,  
O. L. Mossman,  
A. Dowd,  
F. D. Christie,  
W. F. Butman.

T. J. Gates,  
F. I. Waters,  
D. C. Eddy,  
G. W. Taylor,  
R. H. Smyth,  
D. C. Lamson,  
A. K. Main,

J. H. Wilson,  
W. W. Vinson,  
O. Peitsmeyer,  
J. F. Mudd,  
W. W. Crippen,  
J. M. Reilley,  
L. True,

F. E. Eaton,  
George Patrick,  
W. B. Nixon,  
J. S. Phillips,  
R. M. Rhamy,  
J. H. Brittain,  
R. F. Johnston,

### DELEGATES

A. M. Dake,  
Cora E. Buckner,  
L. E. Hodkin,  
Richard Peters,  
E. J. Rostund,

Nancy Rogers,  
W. D. Groesbeck,  
R. F. Johnston,  
M. Humphrey,  
O. S. Connor,

J. M. Connor,  
J. H. Phelps,  
J. W. Blaine,  
W. H. Wilfong,  
E. Pickett,

Thomas Davison,  
T. Woodmansee,  
Allen Smith,  
L. Saunders,  
Mabel Thompson.

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. R. Jones, E. N. Miller, M. D. Myers, J. W. Blaine, W. H. Wilfong.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? J. W. Pulley.

4. Who remain on trial? J. R. Sutton, Benton Ingram.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.
6. Who are the deacons? R. H. Smyth, W. W. Crippen, O. Peitsmeyer.
7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? D. C. Lamson.
8. Who have located this year? A. W. Eytte.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? G. Patrick.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn out preachers? J. W. Dake, J. S. Phillips, W. B. Nixon, R. M. Rhamy.
11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? F. D. Christie and A. K. Main, from the Platte River conference.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer? W. W. Vinson, J. M. Reilley.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
- 12, 15. None.
- 16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistics.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? See report on conference claimants and claims.
23. See statistical report.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? A committee consisting of the district elders and W. H. Wilfong was appointed to locate the place; the time to be as near the first Wednesday in September, 1902, as is convenient with the plan of the general superintendents.

## APPOINTMENTS

**BOONE DISTRICT.**—J. H. Wilson, District Elder, 715 Division street, Boone, Iowa.

Boone and Ogden.....D. C. Lamson, Nora Lamson, supply, Boone, Iowa  
 Polk City.....D. C. Eddy, Polk, "  
 Bear Grove.....O. Peitsmeyer, Guthrie Center "  
 Coon Rapids.....F. I. Waters, Katie Waters, supply, Coon Rapids, "  
 Churdan, Scranton and Hobbs S. H.....L. True, Olive M. True, supply, Churdan, "

J. W. Dake, superannuated; G. Patrick, supernumerary, Coon Rapids, Iowa; W. W. Vinson, granted certificate of standing with a view to transfer; J. J. Woof, left without appointment, Polk, Iowa.

**SIOUX CITY DISTRICT.**—J. H. Wilson, District Elder.

Danbury.....R. W. Meeker, supply, Danbury, Iowa  
 Ida Grove.....F. E. Eaton, Ida Grove, "  
 Correctionville and Kingsley.....M. D. Myers, Correctionville, "  
 Merrill and LeMars.....W. W. Crippen, Merrill, "

**SAC CITY DISTRICT.**—J. H. Wilson, District Elder.

Sac City and Early.....O. L. Mossman, Early, Iowa  
 Jolley and Leebe S. H.....J. R. Sutton, Jolley, "  
 Plover and Curlew.....Winnie Myler, supply, Plover, "

**SHENANDOAH DISTRICT.**—E. N. Miller, District Elder, Shenandoah, Iowa.

Shenandoah and Bingham.....A. K. Main, Shenandoah, Iowa  
 Imogene.....To be supplied

Griswold and Center Chapel.....To be supplied  
 College Springs.....J. F. Mudd, College Springs, Iowa  
 Clarinda.....Anna Taylor, supply, Clarinda, "  
 Shambaugh and Pleasant Hill .....R. H. Smyth, Braddyville, "  
 Hamburg.....E. L. Sams, supply, Hamburg, "

J. S. Phillips, superannuated, Weyerhauser, Wisconsin; T. J. Gates, evangelist, Moscow, Oklahoma; Benton Ingram, left without appointment to attend school, Wessington Springs, South Dakota; J. H. Brittain, left without appointment, Moscow, Oklahoma.

#### CRESTON DISTRICT.—E. N. MILLER, District Elder.

Carbon and Mt. Etna.....J. W. Pulley, Carrie L. Pulley, supply, Carbon, Iowa  
 Gravity and Glasco school house.....P. H. Arlington, supply, Gravity, "  
 Beaconsfield and Caledonia.....W. F. Butman, Caledonia, "  
 Lorimor.....G. W. Taylor, Lorimor, "  
 Garden Grove.....A. Dowd, Garden Grove, "

J. M. Reilley, granted certificate of standing with a view to transfer; R. M. Rhamy, superannuated.

#### DUNLAP DISTRICT.—E. N. MILLER, District Elder.

Council Bluffs.....To be supplied  
 Sandy Point and Pisgah.....To be supplied  
 Dunlap, Dow City and Mullen school-house .....  
 .....F. D. Christie, Clara J. Christie, supply, Dunlap, Iowa  
 R. F. Johnston, granted certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The seventeenth session of the West Iowa conference, held at Polk City, Iowa, September 11-15, was the best we have had for some years. There was a marked effusion of the Holy Spirit at different times—notably in the Sabbath morning service.

General Superintendent Jones presided with general acceptability. His preaching was in power. The close of his Sabbath morning sermon, with its powerful peroration, amid the weeping and shouts of the congregation, will not soon be forgotten. At this service the new church was dedicated. Nearly \$500.00 was raised for this purpose in a short time. Beside this there was raised at the conference: \$15.05 for Rev. W. B. Nixon, who is disabled by sickness; nearly \$30.00 to meet deficiency in conference claims and incidental expenses of the meeting.

We were glad to welcome among us Revs. F. D. Christie and A. K. Main, transferred from the Platte River conference. Also Rev. W. F. Butman from the Evangelical Association, and Rev. Leslie True from the Wesleyan Methodist church, were received and given work in the conference. Two other brethren, Revs. R. W. Meeker, of the Iowa conference, and P. H. Arlington, of the Nebraska conference, heard the Macedonian cry and took work among us.

Quite a number were reclaimed or saved during the meeting.

The appointments were generally well received; and if the conference shall be an index of the year to come, better times are in store for the West Iowa conference.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Raised, \$56.55.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$100.95.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$201.90.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' CLAIM.—Assessed and paid, \$121.14.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Assessed and paid, \$67.30.

FUND ON HAND FROM GENERAL CONFERENCE.—\$18.31.

FOR PUBLISHING THE MINUTES.—Amount raised, \$24.00.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS AND CLAIMS.

We the committee on Conference Claimants and Claims recommend that the following persons be superannuated with their respective claims, as follows: J. W. Dake, \$150.00; J. S. Phillips, \$100.00; W. B. Nixon, \$40.00; R. M. Rhamy, \$100.00. Total, \$390.00.

#### II.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

We, as a people, believe that good literature in our homes is necessary to our success. Holding, as we do, to Bible doctrines, we will not support any religious publication which does not teach them in their purity. The *Free Methodist* is the organ of the Free Methodist church, and how some of our people can take undenominational and secular papers because they are cheaper, and go without our church paper, is more than we can understand. We can not be well-informed Free Methodists without our church paper. Those who take it and read it, keep in touch with all that is going on among our people. There are many among us who know but little that is going on in our Zion, except what they see and hear on the circuit where they live, and they often become discouraged, because they imagine that things are the same everywhere.

We recommend the *Free Methodist* to everyone, and urge our ministers to put forth more energy to get it circulated. We believe there is a possibility of getting it into all the homes of Free Methodists. Good books should be circulated and put in every home for our children, because moral character is largely formed by what one reads. We also recommend the *Earnest Christian*, *Missionary Tidings* and *Olive Branch*, and believe they should have our support. We strongly urge that our own hymn books be used in our Sabbath schools and in all our public services.

#### III.—ON REFORMS.

We, your committee, submit the following report:

**SABBATH DESECRATION.**—We notice a growing tendency to desecrate the Sabbath with Sunday excursions, Sunday visiting, labor and festivity, instead of making it a day of rest and deep devotion to God. Are we, as Free Methodists, clear on these points? Look in our towns and cities and see the Sunday ball games, bathing places and beer gardens! My God, is there no cure? Others make it a day of pleasure and flirtation, and worshipping the creature more than the Creator. "As in the days of Noah, so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be." Therefore,

*Resolved*, That we openly and firmly make use of all lawful means to check this growing evil.

**DRESS.**—We reaffirm our position against worldliness. Our rules should be strictly but lovingly enforced. We look with disfavor upon the custom of some of our ministers and members wearing lone mustaches. Our ministers should be patterns of modesty.

**SECRET SOCIETIES** are opposed to civil government as well as moral law. They frustrate justice, screen the guilty, and are dishonoring to the cause of God and Christianity.

**PROHIBITION.**—We deplore and denounce the cowardice shown by both the Republican and Democratic parties in not daring to take hold of the prohibition question; so we conclude they are unworthy the support of Christian voters. Therefore,

*Resolved*, That we pledge ourselves to the support of the Prohibition party—as before. And we will do all we can to prohibit the use and sale of liquors. But, as a church, we are opposed to Carrie Nation's mob law method of extinguishing the saloons. We believe we ought to vote for a party which opens its conventions with prayer instead of a corkscrew.

**CIVIL REFORM.**—We see by the *Chicago Tribune*, that there have been ninety-nin

lynchings in the last year, some of which were of the most cruel and barbarous character. Our own President, as well as other crowned heads, has been assassinated; and this spirit seems to be increasing rapidly. "Evil men and seducers" are "waxing worse and worse," but "Vengeance is mine, I will repay saith the Lord."

In the future, as in the past, may God help us to take the right side in any and all lines of reform.

#### IV.—ON EDUCATION.

We are pleased to know, that as a church, we have a number of good Christian schools in operation where our children can secure a Christian education. We believe it to be our duty, as far as practicable, to support these schools by contributing our means and sending our children to them.

We think, however, that for the present, we have all the schools we can sustain; and the multiplication of schools will only tend to weaken those now in operation.

As a conference, having a representation on the board of trustees of the Wessington Springs Seminary, be it therefore,

*Resolved*, That it is our duty to support and patronize said school as far as practicable.

#### V.—ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

In view of the need of a more systematic method of teaching wholesome doctrines and practical godliness among us, we recommend the Sunday-school as a most potent factor for this work. The boys and girls of today will be the men and women of tomorrow. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

The Sunday-school is also a great source of strength to the church. The future character of the church largely depends upon the Sunday-school of today.

The Sunday-school is a place to gain a knowledge of the Scriptures. Hence God commanded Moses diligently to teach the principles of the Hebrew religion to the children (Deut. 6:7). Early convictions are lasting.

In many places the parents take but little interest in this work. We insist upon a reformation on this line. If we expect to succeed, as a church, we must be more faithful, as preachers and people, in the discharge of our duties in the Sunday-school. We would urge the use of our Sunday-school literature in all our schools.





## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WEST IOWA CONFERENCE--CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
BOONE DISTRICT											
Boone and Ogden.....	\$4 51		\$26 42		\$378 60	51 35		3	\$2600	1	800
Polk City.....			27 00		425 00	49 00		2	1800	1	600
Bear Grove.....			13 35		*236 58	47 28		1	1000	1	300
Coon Rapids.....			12 92		130 25	39 34		3	1800	2	600
Scranton, Jefferson, Jones S. H.....					50 84	32 20		2	1200	1	300
Churdan and Dana.....					220 89	25 20		1	750	1	400
SIOUX CITY DISTRICT											
Danbury and Ida Grove.....			27 41		491 26	73 15		2	2500	1	900
Correctionville and Kingsley.....	\$2 30		31 98		483 26	63 00	\$26 46	2	2000	1	500
Merrill and Le Mars.....					416 00	31 70		1	800	1	600
SAC CITY DISTRICT											
Sac City, Early, Marshall S. H.....			20 00		372 26	52 60		1	800	1	600
Jolley, Perry S. H., Rands.....	2 00				184 50			1	500	1	300
Plover and Curlew.....			13 42		216 25	62 76		1	1000		
SHENANDOAH DISTRICT											
Shenandoah and Bingham.....			20 73		257 38	38 07	23 26	2	2500	1	800
Imogene.....						7 00		1	600		
Griswold and Center Chapel.....					†269 16	19 60		1	500		
College Springs.....			14 75		317 22	45 99	20 00	1	1000	1	400
Clarinda.....			26 62	\$ 10	166 62	17 64	41 32	1	1000	1	700
Shambaugh and Pleasant Hill.....			17 35	40	385 00	49 00		2	1250	1	550
Hamburg and Bright Side S. H.....		50	13 14		179 03	36 40		1	800	1	450
CRESTON DISTRICT											
Carbon and Mt. Etna.....			19 03		276 62	58 48	9 74	1	800	1	500
Gravity and New Market.....			6 42		202 20	35 94	5 00	1	800	1	400
Beaconsfield and Caledonia.....			8 00		†29 50	26 18	4 10				
Lorimor.....					\$13 02	26 67					
Garden Grove.....			11 00		225 00	24 48		1	800		
DUNLAP DISTRICT											
Council Bluffs.....			18 00		207 25	23 13		1	2200	1	800
Sandy Point and Ragland S. H.....					100 00	2 58		1	300		
Dunlap, Dow City, Charter Oak.....			31 14		430 24	51 70	25 80	2	1200	1	500
Total.....	\$4 51	\$4 80	\$355 68	\$ 50	\$6663 93	\$1143 71	\$155 68	36	\$300500	21	\$11000

\*Paid W. B. Nixon for part of the year. †Paid T. H. Allen for five months. ‡Paid L. L. Stedwell for three months. §Paid N. M. Perry for six months.

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## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—B. R. Jones, J. Moran, C. W. Carnes, E. J. Fish.

On Publications—J. Graham, J. S. Booton, E. E. Hall.

On Reforms—W. C. Houts, H. Stewart, S. B. Gilbert.

On State of the Work—J. Moran, C. W. Carnes, E. E. Hall.

On Quarterly Conference Records—J. S. Booton, F. C. Behner, J. P. Doud.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Sunday-schools—A. L. Mossman, J. W. White, S. S. Stewart.

On Home Missions—The stationing committee.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—T. M. Fenwick.

On Education—W. C. Houts, H. Stewart, C. O. Bancroft.

On Claims and Claimants—B. R. Jones, J. Moran, C. W. Carnes, J. Graham,  
M. Besh.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

J. P. Doud, for five years; C. W. Carnes, for four years; J. Moran, for three years;  
E. E. Hall, for two years; G. A. Anderson, for one year.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

E. E. Hall, president; C. W. Carnes, treasurer; F. M. Roberts, secretary;  
J. Graham, W. A. Whitlock.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions and Home Missions; second quarter, General  
Superintendents' Claim; third quarter, Church Extension and Aid Society  
and Delegates' Expenses to General Conference; fourth quarter, Conference  
Claimants'.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Publications—E. E. Dalby.

On Education—E. J. Fish.

On Reforms—W. W. Vinson.

On Sunday-schools—J. P. Doud.

On State of the Work—The district elders.

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## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this  
conference?

### PREACHERS

E. E. Hall,  
I. H. Gorrell,  
J. Q. Murray,  
W. C. Houts,  
W. E. De Harppart,  
Henry Stewart,  
J. W. White,

J. C. Long,  
L. W. Rubardt,  
J. P. Doud,  
J. M. Lute,  
A. L. Mossman,  
J. W. E. Ambrose,  
W. W. Vinson,

W. C. Thompson,  
C. W. Carnes,  
G. A. Anderson,  
J. S. Booton,  
W. J. Trimble,  
T. M. Fenwick,  
E. E. Dalby.

L. Mendenhall,  
W. E. Boger,  
J. Moran,  
W. A. Whitlock,  
R. W. Meeker,  
E. J. Fish,

## DELEGATES

Ralph Gorrel,  
J. Graham,  
L. H. Parker,  
E. Crew,  
L. A. Johnson,  
H. Durfee,

Nora Hess,  
C. Kirkland,  
William Hall,  
John Lawless,  
George Crouse,  
G. A. Foster.

Prudence Wright,  
L. A. Niclan,  
C. O. Bancroft,  
M. Besh,  
G. W. Huffmire,

S. S. Stewart,  
T. Fuller,  
B. Trimble,  
F. O. Behner,  
F. M. Roberts,

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. R. Jones, C. W. Carnes, J. Moran, E. J. Fish.
3. What preachers are admitted on trial? E. A. Clark.
4. Who remain on trial? G. G. Booton, S. B. Gilbert.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? E. E. Dalby.
6. Who are the deacons? W. J. Trimble, R. W. Meeker, Henry Stewart, E. J. Fish, T. M. Fenwick, J. W. E. Ambrose, E. E. Dalby.
7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? Henry Stewart.
8. Who have located this year? None.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? L. W. Rubardt, W. E. Boger.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? J. C. Long, L. Mendenhall, W. C. Thompson, J. M. Lute.
11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? J. W. White, from the Missouri conference; W. W. Vinson, from the West Iowa conference.
12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? R. W. Meeker.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. Who have died this year? None.
- 16-20. See statistical report.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$150.00.
23. See statistical report.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Knoxville, Iowa, as near the second Wednesday in September, 1902, as the general superintendents can arrange.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The twenty-eighth annual session of the conference was held at Ottumwa, Iowa. General Superintendent B. R. Jones presided. Five sittings were held, all of which were very harmonious.

The following preachers were present and invited to honorary seats in the conference: G. P. Wilson, of the Minnesota and Northern Iowa conference; J. G. Barton, of the M. E. church; W. B. Rose of the New York conference.

C. W. Carnes was on the first ballot elected traveling district elder, receiving 25 out of 42 votes. E. E. Hall was on the second ballot elected traveling district elder, receiving 25 out of 42 votes. Henry Stewart was ordained elder after the Sabbath morning service.

There was raised for publishing the conference minutes, \$23.60. A collection of \$4.28 was taken for the secretaries. There was raised in cash and subscription for the work at Des Moines, \$109.70.



On Friday afternoon the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society presented their needs through Rev. W. B. Rose, and \$64.16 was raised.

The conference voted to request the general missionary board to make an appropriation of \$5.00 per month for the pastor at Des Moines, Iowa. W. B. Rose presented the interest of the publishing house.

This conference united with other conferences in an association whose object shall be to promote systematic charity and mutual benefit among the preachers.

A vote of thanks was tendered the president, the people of Ottumwa for their liberal entertainment, and the secretaries.

## APPOINTMENTS

**BURLINGTON DISTRICT.**—C. W. CARNES, District Elder, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Burlington (South Hill, 914 South Tenth street) ..... E. E. Dalby

Burlington (North Hill, 818 Arch street) ..... J. W. E. Ambrose

Morning Sun ..... To be supplied

J. M. Lute, superannuated.

**FAIRFIELD DISTRICT.**—C. W. CARNES, District Elder.

Fairfield ..... G. A. Anderson

Birmingham and Oak Grove ..... W. J. Trimble

Coal Port and Mt. Zion ..... S. B. Gilbert

Ottumwa ..... E. J. Fish

Eldon, White Elm and Bethel ..... W. A. Whitlock

L. Mendenhall, superannuated.

**CENTERVILLE DISTRICT.**—C. W. CARNES, District Elder.

Centerville, Cincinnati and Drakeville ..... Cordelia Maring, supply

Brompton, Blakesburg, Wayne County Mission ..... E. A. Clark

**CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT.**—E. E. HALL, District Elder.

Cedar Rapids and Marion ..... J. Moran

Toddville and No. 1 ..... I. H. Gorrell

Maquoketa, Iron Hill and Crabtown ..... J. S. Booton

Walker and Cedar Ridge ..... G. G. Booton

Monmouth and Madison Center ..... J. W. White

W. C. Thompson, superannuated.

**CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT.**—E. E. HALL, District Elder.

Cedar Falls, Waterloo and Dunkerton ..... T. M. Fenwick; one to be supplied

Conrad ..... W. C. Houts

Radcliffe, Hubbard and Lawn Hill ..... A. L. Mossman

L. W. Rubardt, W. E. Boger, supernumerary.

**KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.**—E. E. HALL, District Elder.

Knoxville and Pleasant Ridge ..... W. W. Vinson, Belle Vinson, supply

Oskaloosa, Rose Hill, Sigourney and Delta ..... J. H. Grovier, Phebe Grovier, supplies

Ackworth ..... Howard Durfee, supply

Barnes City and Riggs ..... H. S. Stewart

Newton and Wilson ..... J. P. Doud

Des Moines ..... J. Q. Murray

J. C. Long, superannuated.

## EVANGELISTS

W. E. De Harppart,	Howard Durfee,	J. G. Wilson,	Etta Murray,
J. H. Grovier,	Phebe Grovier,	Belle Vinson.	

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$246.30.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' CLAIM.—Assessed and paid, \$147.78.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$123.15.

HOME MISSIONS.—Claim, \$123.15.

Paid \$101.86; deficit, \$21.29. Total, \$123.15.

The following appropriations were made from the home missionary fund:

E. E. Dalby, \$15.00; J. S. Booton, \$6.86.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Cash and receipts, \$84.54.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Claim, \$82.10.

Cash and receipts, \$70.30; deficit \$11.90. Total, \$82.10.

CHILDREN'S FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$16.36.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—Cash, \$5.80.

### II.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

The eye is a factor in the accumulation of the riches of the knowledge and wisdom of God. Therefore, we recommend that our Free Methodist publications be circulated through our conference bounds, that the principles of the doctrines of Christ may be disseminated. If these publications are put into our Sunday-schools, families and the homes of our sympathizing friends, the truths contained therein will be a savor of life unto life, or of death unto death. When the mind is furnished with word pictures, sound doctrine, touching incidents, statistical reports, reminiscence, obituaries, editorials, etc., the effect is to cement the readers together in sympathy or bonds of Christian fellowship. The eye perceives, the memory acquires, retains and vividly reproduces images made. Therefore, we urge that the *Free Methodist*, the Sunday-school literature, the *Earnest Christian*, *Missionary Tidings* and the *Olive Branch* have a wider circulation, through our preachers, Sunday-school superintendents and any other agents that can be enlisted.

We hope the price of printing will not increase, so as to compel the Iowa conference to hire individual minutes printed, and thereby lose the benefit of having the combined minutes annually at a minimum price to place in our libraries.

### III.—ON STATE OF THE WORK.

CEDAR RAPIDS, CEDAR FALLS AND KNOXVILLE DISTRICTS.—We feel that we have great reason to thank God for the blessings and victories of the past year. Revival meetings have been held on every circuit, and the work in general is moving forward. Considering the drouth that has swept over the country, we notice with pleasure the manner in which the conference claims have been brought up. While there has been some deficiency, yet the deficiency is less than it has been any year for a long time. Our camp-meetings the past year were the best we have had for several years. At Newton and Toddville especially the meetings were productive of immediate fruits, and souls were saved even after the camp-meetings closed. At Conrad we did not see so much immediate fruit, but the Lord was with us, and we trust seed was sown that will yet spring up and bear fruit, some thirty, some sixty, and some an hundredfold. Still we feel that we need more of the holy fire and power among us, more of the spirit of aggressiveness in extending our borders. Brethren, let us go to our several fields of labor determined to see a revival on every circuit. Amen and amen.

**BURLINGTON AND FAIRFIELD DISTRICTS.**—The work on these districts is in a good condition. There is no serious division. As a rule, unity and harmony prevail. Our camp-meetings were good. Souls have been saved and sanctified on nearly all the circuits. While some of the circuits show a falling off in membership others have a neat gain. The best of all God is with us.

#### IV.—ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school has been called the nursery of the church. This being true it opens to us as a church a field of opportunity to plant those principles that develop into the beautiful, matured fruit of Christian life and character, that will be felt in church and State, and as such an opportunity presents itself to us as a church we should in our judgment use great care in selecting those to whom is committed the care and responsibility of the Sunday-school. The superintendent should be a devoted Christian, a lover of children and a student of the Bible. As care is necessary in development of a beautiful harvest of delicious fruit, so care should be taken in selecting teachers in our schools, and so far as possible only those who enjoy a thorough Christian experience should be employed. We further believe that the parents of our children should be more interested and seek to get the children interested. As the literature used has much to do with the right development of character, we recommend that the literature published by our publishing house be used in all our schools.

#### V.—ON EDUCATION.

We are firm believers in education. We believe in Christian education, such education as properly cultivates one's moral faculties as well as his mental powers. We deplore the fact that much of the instruction and the influences surrounding many institutions of learning tend to stifle and discourage any manifestation of fervent devotion to God, also to destroy the wholesome doctrine of the divine inspiration of the Holy Bible, thereby undermining its supreme authority and bringing the sacred word into contempt with the youth of our land. In many instances the youthful members of our churches, attending institutions of learning amid the spirit of cold formality and keen cutting criticisms of the holy scriptures, come from them in a condition far removed from our church landmarks. And so we feel thankful to God for our college and seminaries. We believe they are among the most important of our church enterprises. They afford splendid facilities for a first-class education. And further, the instruction and environments are calculated to properly cultivate the moral powers as well as the mental faculties, thereby furnishing thorough Christian education. Our schools demand and deserve our ever increasing patronage. Furthermore we believe that education is indispensable to highest efficiency in Christian work. We should endeavor to fulfil the exhortation of the Apostle Paul to Timothy. God works through human instrumentalities, and surely, other things being equal, the greater acquired abilities of the instrument used, the greater the work accomplished. We believe the ministry should avail themselves of every means of instruction within their reach on any line which will increase their efficiency in Christian work.

Education and spirituality are not antagonistic. Sanctified education has and always will increase the usefulness of any gospel minister. God places no premium upon ignorance. In consideration of the foregoing facts, we earnestly urge upon our ministers and church in general the great importance of educational work. And we highly appreciate the work of our college and seminaries and bespeak for them a better patronage in the future which they so well deserve.

#### VI.—ON REFORMS.

**SABBATH DESECRATION.**—The Sabbath as a day of rest is ignored to an alarming extent. It is constantly violated by the running of trains, base ball, foot ball, the patronizing of creameries, by family visitation and many other God-dishonoring methods. Let every preacher speak and give no uncertain sound against this great evil. We as Free Methodists believe in keeping the Sabbath.

**TOBACCO.**—The non-use of tobacco is a test of membership, for which we thank God. We consider the use of it as a menace to the cause of God and we pledge ourselves to keep a vigilant eye on the question which is of vital importance to the purity of our loved Zion.

**ROMANISM.**—Among the many enemies of true religion and good government is that ancient foe, the church of Rome. Wherever she rules she ruins. This is not only seen by the history of the past, but wherever she rules, the events of today reveal the fact that as a church she is thoroughly corrupt and degrades every people over whom she holds her sway. We deplore the fact that in too many instances in our lands today, too many offices of trust are committed to their care. We fear that every favor shown them means a direct blow, not only to our free government, but a direct blow at our free schools and our holy religion. Be it therefore,

*Resolved*, That we protest earnestly and yet in the Spirit of the gospel from pulpit and pen and raise our voice against every advance of the tyrant.

**SECRET SOCIETIES.**—Oath-bound secret societies are rapidly on the increase, enlarging and spreading their hellish influence over our broad domain, until not only men are hoodwinked and cable-toed, but women are likewise being led astray by the same monster of suspicion. As Free Methodists our position against this evil remains unchanged and we insist that we keep ourselves free to follow the Lord in all things.

**SOCIAL EVILS.**—Social reform is much needed in our State and church. The marriage vow is but lightly esteemed, as the records of our courts show an increasing number of divorce suits. When we recognize the fact that once a wife, always a wife; once a husband, always a husband, until death separates them—until then we will make no rapid progress in home and social reform.

**GENERAL REFORMS.**—It is no time for us as the professed church of Jesus Christ to lower the standard on the lines of dress and worldly conformity. We are loath to see the spirit and practice of worldliness crowding in on us on every hand. In the language of the scriptures we believe that we ought to lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and to this end let us labor and pray.

**THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.**—Among all the reforms of the present time there is none that interests the people so much, not only of our church but other churches, and which should receive a death-blow at the hand of every man who has the interest of free schools and free religion at heart, as the liquor traffic. Again we are ready to affirm that this evil cannot be licensed without sin. After all the blood-curdling crimes of the past and present, we are of the opinion that to endorse by ballot, or otherwise, this nefarious traffic is to sin. Therefore be it the sense of this conference that we, as a church, pledge ourselves to vote as we pray and support by our ballots the only party antagonistic to this hellish business.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE

BURLINGTON, FAIRFIELD, CEDAR RAPIDS, CEDAR FALLS AND KNOXVILLE DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members														Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claim-ants' Fund	General Superin- tendents' Claim	Conference Mis- sions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to Gen- eral Conference	Foreign Mission- ary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Soci- eties																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																				
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## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
BURLINGTON DISTRICT											
Burlington, South Hill.....	.....	.....	\$30 00	.....	\$440 00	\$37 60	\$21 00	1	\$3000	1	\$ 800
Burlington, North Hill.....	.....	\$2 70	18 10	.....	450 00	37 49	27 25	1	3500	1	800
Morning Sun.....	\$1 00	1 00	17 85	.....	310 00	39 75	25 00	1	1000	1	500
FAIRFIELD DISTRICT											
Fairfield.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	122 33	73 40	.....	1	1300	1	800
Birmingham and Oak Grove.....	.....	80	30 00	.....	283 58	57 60	.....	2	1800	1	500
Ottumwa.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	450 00	37 57	.....	1	1500	1	1150
Eldon, White Elm, Bethel.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	288 60	30 49	25 00	3	1800	.....	.....
Centerville.....	.....	1 03	32 00	.....	200 00	36 00	20 91	1	1000	1	375
Foster, Bridgeport, Blakesburg.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lockridge and Mt. Zion.....	.....	.....	5 98	.....	203 06	35 07	.....	2	1600	1	350
Drakeville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT											
Cedar Rapids and Marion.....	.....	.....	80 16	.....	425 65	45 75	8 32	2	1900	1	700
Toddville and No. 1.....	.....	.....	25 51	.....	236 81	48 14	3 00	1	1000	.....	.....
Monmouth, Maquoketa, etc.....	.....	2 58	25 00	.....	331 20	90 67	18 47	4	3500	1	400
Walker and Cedar Ridge.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	398 90	35 90	.....	2	1600	1	800
CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT											
Cedar Falls, Waterloo, Dunkerton.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	483 69	64 68	6 00	2	2500	2	1800
Conrad.....	4 80	6 05	27 42	.....	350 00	48 00	.....	1	1500	1	800
Radcliffe, Hubbard, Lawn Hill.....	.....	.....	14 30	.....	383 19	18 10	.....	1	1000	1	800
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT											
Oskaloosa, Rose Hill, Sigourney, etc.....	.....	.....	14 50	.....	265 00	54 60	.....	4	2200	2	1400
Knoxville and Peaceful Chapel.....	.....	.....	19 51	.....	400 98	41 71	.....	1	1600	1	800
Ackworth.....	.....	.....	18 74	.....	99 48	32 20	.....	1	800	.....	.....
Barnes City and Riggs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	208 00	19 69	.....	1	700	1	400
Newton and Wilson.....	.....	2 00	18 00	.....	376 00	33 60	3 00	1	1200	1	1000
Des Moines.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	432 00	30 50	22 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hickory Ridge.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$5 80	\$16 16	\$468 07	.....	\$7128 47	\$998 42	\$179 95	34	\$36000	20	\$14190

# OHIO CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twenty-Third Annual Session, held at Zanesville, Ohio,  
September 4-8, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

J. E. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

F. L. HALL, Assistant Secretary

W. F. MATTHEWSON, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, J. W. Headley, L. G. Lewis.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Raising Funds for Publishing the Minutes—B. B. Casto, D. W. Wesley.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—J. C. Sherburne, W. F. Matthewson, H. W. Mitchell.

On Reforms—F. C. Calkins, J. Bates, T. B. Adams.

On Publications—J. C. Sherburne, A. V. Leonardson, O. M. Shaw.

On Education—F. L. Hall, G. A. Olmstead, J. A. Bolton.

On Sunday-schools—L. G. Lewis, S. W. Stone.

On Conference Collections—W. F. Matthewson.

On State of the Work—J. E. Williams, J. W. Headley, F. L. Hall.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

To Secure Reduced Rates to Conference Next Year—D. W. Wesley.

To Raise Amount Still Due on Conference Tent—J. E. Williams, J. W. Headley, F. L. Hall.

To Take Charge of Conference Tents—F. L. Hall, J. W. Headley, J. E. Williams.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

L. G. Lewis, president; J. E. Williams, secretary; J. W. Headley, treasurer; O. M. Shaw, L. F. Cobb.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

S. W. Stone, president, for three years; F. L. Hall, for two years; W. F. Matthewson, secretary, for one year.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Education—J. A. Bolton.

On Publications—S. W. Stone.

On Reforms—W. F. Matthewson.

On Sunday-schools—L. G. Lewis.

# DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

## PREACHERS

J. E. Williams,  
J. Hayden,  
A. Stevens,  
H. W. Sanderson,  
D. W. Wesley,  
F. C. Calkins,  
O. L. Spencer.

J. W. Headley,  
J. Lawrence,  
H. F. Hall,  
C. F. Scott,  
W. F. Matthewson,  
L. G. Lewis,

F. L. Hall,  
G. A. Olmstead,  
F. DeLong,  
J. A. Bolton,  
B. B. Casto,  
H. W. Mitchell,

S. W. Stone,  
E. N. Foulk,  
J. C. Sherburne,  
E. D. Crane,  
T. B. Adams,  
A. V. Leonardson,

## DELEGATES

J. Bates,	C. Simonson,	C. W. Warner,	Levi Greenwood,
John Davis,	E. M. Freese,	Effie Sayers,	Sarah Beede,
G. Mapes,	C. J. Carey,	O. M. Shaw,	R. Baker,
J. Schenkel,	J. B. Brown,	Jennie Yoakam,	Mary E. Hall,
C. W. Smith,	S. Womer,	L. F. Cobb,	E. S. Leibhardt,
R. B. Niles,	R. McElfresh,	James Lake,	Jennie Smith,
L. Cheeney,			

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, J. E. Williams, J. W. Headley, F. L. Hall, R. Baker, C. W. Warner, L. F. Cobb.
3. What preachers are admitted on trial? None.
4. Who remain on trial? H. B. Brackney, Noah Van Kennel, A. C. Hartley.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? O. L. Spencer.
6. Who are the deacons? B. B. Casto, F. DeLong, H. W. Mitchell, O. L. Spencer.
7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? F. C. Calkins.
- 8, 9. None.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? G. A. Olmstead.
- 11, 12, 13. None.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. Who have died this year? None.
- 16-20. See statistical report.
21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$120.00.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? The appointment of place was left with the district elders; the time as near the first Wednesday in September, 1902, as can be arranged for by the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The twenty-third annual session of the Ohio conference was held in the Free Methodist church at Zanesville, Ohio, September 4-8, 1901. General Superintendent E. P. Hart presided with unusual energy and ability. His sermons were deeply spiritual and full of inspiration. The devotional services, which were mostly held in the large tent, were attended by large and attentive congregations. At several of these services souls were at the altar for either pardon or purity.

W. B. Olmstead, editor of our Sunday-school literature, and B. J. Vincent of the North Indiana conference, represented the publishing house and seemed to do a good business.

The following ministers preached during the conference: E. P. Hart, W. B. Olmstead, S. W. Stone, F. L. Hall, E. N. Foulk, H. W. Mitchell, O. L. Spencer, F. C. Calkins, T. B. Adams.

Rev. W. B. Olmstead of the Michigan conference, Rev. Burton J. Vincent of the North Indiana conference, Miss Emma Appling, missionary to India, Miss Esther D. Clark, missionary from San Domingo, Rev. Mr. Printer of the Wesleyan Methodist connection, Rev. M. B. Taylor of the M. E. church, Rev. D. W. Hamilton of the United Brethren church, Rev. D. G. Shirer and wife of the Pittsburg conference, were introduced to the conference, and with G. W. Wilson and Levi Hostetler, city missionaries, and all in the conference on trial, and all those who have been supplying circuits during the past year, were invited to honorary seats.

Several circuits and pastors were woefully deficient in bringing up their conference col-

lections, while others had a surplus over and above the amount assessed. Some pastors always succeed, while others most always fail to bring up the required amount. \*There should be improvement along this line.

O. L. Spencer was ordained deacon Sunday forenoon and F. C. Calkins was ordained elder on Sunday afternoon.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society reported having raised about \$400.00 during the past year for foreign missions. At the missionary meeting held Sunday afternoon and conducted by Miss Emma Appling, Esther D. Clark, and other members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, about one hundred dollars in cash and subscriptions was raised for missions.

The committee on claims and claimants recommended that G. A. Olmstead be superannuated with a claim of \$120.00. An appropriation of \$50.00 was asked of the General Missionary Board for the church at Toledo, Ohio.

According to pastors' reports we have forty-four churches, valued at \$36,975, and fourteen parsonages, valued at \$9,350, within the borders of the Ohio conference. We ought to have a parsonage on every circuit.

Conference collections are to be taken in the following order: First quarter, Home Missions and General Superintendents' Claim; second quarter, General Missions; third quarter, Church Extension and Aid Society; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants'. The Home Mission collection is to be equal to an amount of ten cents per member.

Conference ordered that the deficiency in the conference claims be referred back to the circuits deficient, to be raised the ensuing year. Pastors on these circuits should put forth a strenuous effort and bring up every cent of this deficiency, as well as secure the claims for the current year.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the president for the able and impartial manner in which he presided over the conference sittings; to the people of Zanesville who so kindly and hospitably entertained the conference and its visitors, and to the resident pastor, L. G. Lewis, for his efforts in ministering to the comfort and convenience of all in attendance. A vote of thanks was also tendered the city press for the just, fair and generous manner in which they represented us as a people, and set forth the proceedings and work of the conference while in session.

The following collections were taken during the conference: For secretaries, \$4.96; for publishing the minutes, \$23.00; for the pastor at Zanesville, \$12.50; for the church at Zanesville about \$300.00 in cash and subscription; by the W. F. M. S., about \$100.00 in cash and subscription; for expenses of the conference, about \$15.00.

## APPOINTMENTS

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—J. E. WILLIAMS, District Elder, 1011 Kinsman street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Cleveland.....	A. V. Leonardson, 512 Bridge street, Cleveland, Ohio
Rocky River.....	B. B. Casto, Rocky River, "
Ridgeville and Bennett's Corners.....	Ida L. Gage, supply, Fields, Lorain county, "
Akron.....	H. W. Mitchell, 120 Bachtel avenue, Akron, "
Grigg's Corners, Jefferson and Steamburg.....	A. C. Hartley, Jefferson, "
Cortland.....	J. A. Bolton, Cortland, "
Youngstown.....	J. C. Sherburne, 140 Oklahoma street, Youngstown, "
Big Prairie and Pleasant Grove.....	I. H. Potts, supply, Big Prairie, "
Howard and Davis.....	A. Stevens, Davis, "

J. Lawrence, left without appointment, 108 Woodland avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

TOLEDO DISTRICT.—F. L. HALL, District Elder, Holland, Ohio.

Toledo.....	S. W. Stone, Toledo, Ohio
Holland and Monclova.....	W. F. Matthewson, Holland, "

Delta and Amboy.....H. F. Hall, Mary E. Hall, supply, Delta, Ohio  
 Edgerton, Bethel and Brunnersburg .....E. D. Jennings, supply, Edgerton, "  
 North Baltimore, Bowling Green and Burgoon.....E. N. Foulk, North Baltimore, "  
 Deshler and Findlay.....To be supplied  
 Hume and Cridersville.....O. L. Stricker, supply, Hume, Ohio  
 Tremont and Dugan Hill.....O. L. Spencer, Tremont City, "  
 Mansfield and Chicago.....F. DeLong, 50 Woodland avenue, Mansfield, "  
 Galion and West Point.....To be supplied

H. B. Brackney and J. H. Hayden, left without appointment at their own request;  
 T. B. Adams, evangelist; G. A. Olmstead, superannuated.

SUMMERFIELD DISTRICT.—J. W. HEADLEY, District Elder, Caldwell, Ohio.  
 Summerfield, Tabor and East Union .....D. W. Wesley, Summerfield, Ohio  
 Sarahsville, Perryopolis, Olive and Hill Grove.....F. C. Calkins, Sarahsville, "  
 Newport and Hall's Chapel .....Noah VanKennel, Newport, "  
 Zanesville, Byesville, Pleasant City and Senecaville.....  
 .....L. G. Lewis, Alice E. Lewis, supply, 18 Clover street, Zanesville, Ohio

#### ATHENS DISTRICT.—J. W. HEADLEY, District Elder

Mt. Carmel, Stroud's Run and New England.....James Swain, supply, Bishopville, Ohio  
 Pomeroy and Plants.....C. F. Scott, Pomeroy, Ohio (F. R. D.); one to be supplied  
 Columbus and New Albany.....E. D. Crane, New Albany, Ohio  
 H. W. Sanderson, evangelist, Tremont City, Ohio.

### LOCAL PREACHERS

Thomas Hales.....North Eaton, Ohio  
 George B. Strong.....Strongsville, "  
 Charles W. Warner.....108 Bachtel avenue, Akron, "  
 E. T. Chandler.....Cortland, "  
 Ray B. Niles.....Triumph, "  
 Fred Heath.....Dorset, "  
 Fred Landon.....Conneaut, "  
 Frank Barnard.....Unionville, "  
 D. B. Landon, Jr.....Steamburg, "  
 John Waldrath.....Steamburg, "  
 H. E. Asplin.....Rockport, "  
 George Lawrence.....Cleveland, "  
 William C. Jones.....Cleveland, "  
 J. B. Thompson.....Holland, "  
 E. E. Higbee.....Urbana, "  
 J. E. Carey.....Urbana, "  
 Joseph Atkinson.....Pomeroy, "  
 Martin Matheney.....Perryopolis, "

### CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS

T. B. Adams.....211½ Walnut street, Chicago, Illinois  
 H. W. Sanderson.....Tremont City, Ohio  
 Mrs. Abbie Headley.....Caldwell, "  
 Mrs. Mary E. Hall.....Delta, "  
 Mrs. Alice E. Lewis.....18 Clover street, Zanesville, "  
 Mrs. Helen Shay Bolton.....Cortland, "



Mrs. S. J. Ray .....	Burton, Ohio
Mrs. Lillie A. Sanderson .....	Tremont City, "
Mrs. Ida L. Gage .....	Fields, "

## EVANGELISTS

Mrs. Emma C. Adams .....	211½ Walnut street, Chicago, Illinois
Mrs. Maria C. Aylard .....	Brunswick, Ohio
Mrs. Eliza James .....	Youngstown, "
Mrs. Mary Johnson .....	Steamburg, "
Mrs. Emily Crane .....	New Albany, "
Mrs. Anna Stevens .....	Davis, "
Miss Susie Decker .....	Galion, "
Miss Jessie Lawrence .....	1011 Kinsman street, Cleveland, "
Miss Sadie Russell .....	Galion, "
Miss Effie Sayers .....	Plants, "
David James .....	Youngstown, "
S. P. Hysell .....	Pomeroy, "
Levi Hostetler .....	Clark, "

## MISSIONARY BAND WORKERS

Miss Sarah Beede .....	Youngstown, Ohio
Miss Eva Burkey .....	Youngstown, "
Mrs. Mary A. Hostetler .....	Clark, "
Miss Elma Wilkinson .....	Davis, "
Miss Pearl Pore .....	Jelloway, "
Miss Effie Dague .....	New Albany, "
Miss Grace Simmonds .....	New Albany, "
Miss Cora Pore .....	Jelloway, "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

FOR PUBLISHING THE MINUTES.—\$22.00.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—By W. F. M. S. as per preachers' statistical reports, \$363.32; by pastors, \$107.78. Total, \$471.10.

HOME MISSIONS.—Claim, \$82.20.

Raised, \$56.79. Deficit, \$25 41. Total, \$82.20.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Claim, \$123.30.

Raised, \$93.16. Deficit, \$30.14. Total, \$123.30.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Claim, \$82.20.

Raised, \$70.26. Deficit, \$11.94. Total, \$82.20.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$147.96.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$246.60.

### II.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

Your committee on publications submit the following report: To publish is to disclose or send abroad knowledge for the purpose of instructing or informing the general public. We believe the disclosure of the crimes and evils of the country, with which the columns of the secular press or papers are filled, is pernicious in its effects upon the minds of the people, and especially of our children.

While we have not the power to eliminate from the columns of the secular papers, the painted and exciting description of crime, we can unite in an earnest effort to counteract this evil by supporting and placing in our homes, and before the people, pure and wholesome literature.

We know of none other than our own publications, better calculated to accomplish this result. While there are other publications and holiness papers, the value of which we would not underrate, yet these papers do not meet the needs of our people in keeping them informed and in touch with the interests and work of the church.

Again; it is not only a pleasure but of profit to be able to read the thoughts of the best men in the church upon the various themes of interest to our temporal and eternal welfare. Hence, we heartily recommend the *Free Methodist* as being fully able to meet the above needs. To sacrifice its weekly visits is a loss which our people cannot afford. It has been said, that "to starve the mind is as bad as to starve the body," but to starve both mind and soul is worse. The *Earnest Christian* is also full of soul food, and well adapted to introduce into the homes outside of our own denomination. The *Missionary Tidings* is best calculated to arouse an interest in the foreign work. We would also urge the exclusive use of our own Sunday-school literature, as we believe there is none which measures up to it in value. Last, but not least, we notice the *Olive Branch* which is equal in itself to a small love-feast, and keeps one informed as to the slum work in Chicago.

We believe that a zealous effort on the part of our preachers to put our publications into new communities and homes would act as a forerunner to more aggressive work.

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## RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, The board of trustees of Spring Arbor Seminary has secured the services of Rev. H. D. F. Gaffin to act as financial agent for the seminary for the coming year; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we invite Brother Gaffin to visit all our circuits in the interest of the seminary.

### ON THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT M'KINLEY.

It is with a great degree of sadness that we are called upon in this land of religious liberty and freedom to mourn over the attempted assasssination of our chief executive, President William McKinley; therefore,

*Resolved, First.* That we heartily deplore the atrocious act.

*Second.* That we have no sympathy with any person or movement that fosters a spirit of anarchy.

*Third.* That we extend our sympathy to Mrs. McKinley in this trying hour.

*Fourth.* That we are pleased to learn by the morning papers that the attempted assassination may not prove fatal.

# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE OHIO CONFERENCE

CLEVELAND, TOLEDO, MANSFIELD, ATHENS AND SUMMERFIELD DISTRICTS

OHIO CONFERENCE

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CHARGE	PREACHER										Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday-Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claims	General Superin- tendents' Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to Gen- eral Conference	Foreign Mission- ary Claims	Woman's Foreign Missionary Soci- eties	
CLEVELAND DISTRICT																									
Cleveland.....	J. E. Williams, District Elder	46	1	47	2	1	1	1	10	35	11	\$14.10	\$ 8.46	1.00	1.09	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	20.20
Rocky River.....	A. V. Leonardson	22	1	23	30	2	1	1	11	35	14	5.40	3.24	1.80	2.20	2.40	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	13.45
Ridgeville and Bennett's Corner.....	B. B. Caste	30	1	31	2	1	2	1	11	50	8	9.00	5.40	2.20	2.40	2.40	2.20	2.20	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	6.25
Akron.....	H. V. Gage, supply	22	5	27	1	1	2	1	6	20	4	4.80	2.88	1.60	2.00	2.00	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	38.00
Youngstown.....	J. C. Serburne	25	5	30	2	1	1	9	6	20	6	8.10	4.86	2.70	4.05	4.05	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	42.04
Cortland.....	W. F. Mathewson	29	2	31	2	1	1	6	20	7	9.90	5.94	1.76	4.00	3.30	4.00	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	47.75
Steamburg, Griggs's Corners, etc.....	C. H. Scott, supply	63	7	70	6	1	3	23	90	4	19.80	11.88	5.00	1.00	3.43	1.00	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.43	19.15
Big Prairie, Pleasant Grove, Howard.....	I. H. Potts, supply	27	37	64	1	1	1	12	75	5	8.10	4.86	5.00	3.20	2.70	3.15	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	11.87
Davis.....	Susie Decker, supply	27	38	65	1	2	10	60	5	6.90	3.78	2.10	3.15	2.10	3.15	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	14.50
Mentor and Thompson.....	J. E. Williams	26	7	33	1	1	2	10	60	5	9.90	3.78	4.45	3.15	2.30	3.15	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	11.87
TOLEDO DISTRICT																									
Toledo.....	F. L. Hall, District Elder	16	8	24	1	1	1	12	80	8	3.60	2.16	1.20	1.80	1.20	1.80	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	18.75
Holland and Monclova.....	J. H. Hayden	31	31	62	1	1	2	18	90	9	9.30	5.58	3.10	4.65	3.10	4.65	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10	13.51
Delta and Amboy.....	A. Stevens	40	2	42	2	1	2	1	7	20	4	12.00	7.20	5.00	1.00	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	19.00
Edgerton, Brunsburg, Bethel.....	Mary E. Hall, supply	23	1	24	1	2	1	7	20	4	12.00	7.20	5.00	1.00	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	19.00
Hume and Cridersville.....	O. L. Spencer	16	4	20	1	2	2	8	36	5	5.70	3.42	1.90	2.85	1.90	2.85	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.03
North Baltimore and Deshier.....	E. N. Foulk	40	19	59	1	3	24	86	6	13.80	8.28	4.00	5.52	4.00	5.52	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	1.03
Burgoon.....	F. L. Hall	5	5	10	5	5	5	5	...	...	1	1.50	0.90	0.50	0.50	0.75	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	...
MANSFIELD DISTRICT																									
Mansfield and Chicago.....	F. L. Hall, District Elder	21	3	24	1	1	1	2	6	5	5.40	3.24	2.76	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	3.00
Galion and West Point.....	S. W. Stone	21	3	24	1	1	1	10	33	3	6.60	3.96	2.20	2.20	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	19.00
Tremont City and Dugan Hill.....	H. W. Sanderson	23	4	27	2	1	1	1	10	33	4	6.90	4.14	2.80	3.45	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	6.00
ATHENS DISTRICT																									
Pomeroy.....	J. W. Headley, District Elder	63	3	66	1	1	4	22	110	8	21.60	12.96	7.20	10.80	7.20	10.80	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.20	15.86
Mc. Cargel, Strouds Run, Bishopville.....	D. W. Wesley	25	1	26	1	1	2	10	50	6	9.00	5.40	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	9.25
Plants.....	Noah Van Kennell	6	2	8	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
Logan.....	J. W. Headley	4	1	5	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
Columbus and New Albany.....	E. D. Crane	24	1	25	1	2	7	20	2	6.30	3.78	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	22.70
SUMMERFIELD DISTRICT																									
Summerfield, Tabor, East Union.....	J. W. Headley, District Elder	44	4	48	1	2	9	30	13	18.30	10.98	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10	11.17
Sarahsville, Perryopolis, Olive.....	F. C. Bolton	43	2	45	1	3	23	75	8	16.50	9.90	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	22.06
Hill Grove, Newport, Hall's Chapel.....	F. C. Calkins	28	3	31	1	1	1	10	100	11	6.60	3.96	2.20	2.20	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	5.25
Zanesville, Bylesville, Seneca ville.....	A. C. Hartley	70	4	74	1	3	22	115	23	10.80	6.48	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	12.00
Total.....	L. G. Lewis, A. E. Lewis, sup	841	81	922	24	15	45	383	1296	191	\$248.70	\$148.96	\$56.79	\$83.16	\$70.26	\$83.16	\$70.26	\$70.26	\$70.26	\$70.26	\$70.26	\$70.26	\$70.26	\$70.26	\$363.32

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE OHIO CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
CLEVELAND DISTRICT											
Cleveland .....	\$1 60	...	\$19 77	...	\$366 00	\$46 75	...	1	\$2500	1	\$1500
Rocky River .....	...	...	34 72	...	274 24	33 11	...	1	1500	1	650
Ridgeville and Bennett's Corners ..	...	\$8 20	20 00	...	230 43	34 82	...	2	1600	1	350
Akron .....	...	...	17 60	...	235 92	43 19	\$ 3 00	...	...	...	...
Youngstown .....	1 00	...	32 14	...	328 00	47 55	...	1	1300	1	800
Cortland .....	...	...	12 38	...	277 24	42 43	2 00	1	1400	1	600
Steamburg, Grigg's Corners, etc ..	...	...	38 84	...	186 72	42 22	5 00	2	1200	...	...
Big Prairie, Pleasant Grove, etc ..	...	...	15 00	...	168 00	42 39	...	3	2400	...	...
Davis .....	...	...	18 00	...	156 26	40 57	2 40	...	...	...	...
Mentor and Thompson .....	...	...	...	...	...	5 60	...	...	...	...	...
TOLEDO DISTRICT											
Toledo .....	...	1 41	36 50	\$1 50	271 68	46 57	11 01	1	2000	...	...
Holland and Monclova .....	...	...	51 29	...	302 45	47 66	...	1	2000	1	600
Delta and Amboy .....	...	...	...	...	220 00	33 91	...	2	1475	1	400
Edgerton, Brunersburg, Bethel ..	...	...	7 58	...	93 75	33 38	...	2	1000	...	...
Hume and Cridersville .....	...	...	12 79	1 00	218 75	34 91	5 00	2	1500	...	...
North Baltimore and Deshler ..	...	...	60 45	...	347 51	68 97	97 93	2	2000	...	...
Burgoon .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
MANSFIELD DISTRICT											
Mansfield and Chicago .....	1 00	...	6 94	...	274 87	25 03	10 95	2	2000	2	1600
Gallion and West Point .....	1 00	1 60	19 37	...	311 35	35 85	...	1	1000	1	600
Tremont City and Dugan Hill ..	...	...	...	...	180 10	44 48	31 15	...	...	...	...
ATHENS DISTRICT											
Pomeroy .....	...	1 00	46 12	...	501 16	54 87	...	3	1500	1	650
Mt. Carmel, Strouds Run, etc ..	...	...	10 00	...	162 23	32 06	25 00	4	1600	...	...
Platts .....	...	...	...	...	...	5 85	21 00	1	800	...	...
Logan .....	...	...	...	...	...	6 20	...	...	...	...	...
Columbus and New Albany .....	40	...	13 00	...	285 62	48 40	7 50	1	700	...	...
SUMMERFIELD DISTRICT											
Summerfield, Tabor, East Union ..	...	...	80 00	...	258 85	40 69	...	3	1600	1	400
Sarahsville, Perryopolis, Olive ..	...	...	20 58	...	277 15	46 07	2 75	3	2400	1	400
Hill Grove, Newport, Hall's Chapel	...	...	30 84	...	313 64	47 67	16 47	2	1000	...	...
Zanesville, Bylesville, Senecaville.	...	...	71 40	...	570 16	37 92	17 00	3	2500	1	800
Total .....	\$5 00	\$12 21	\$634 31	\$2 50	\$6812 18	\$1066 12	\$258 16	44	\$36975	14	\$9350

# NEW YORK CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twenty-eighth Annual Session, held at Alexandria, Virginia,  
September 18-22, 1901

## OFFICERS

G. W. COLEMAN, President.

J. T. LOGAN, Secretary.

C. M. SANFORD, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—G. W. Coleman, G. Eakins, J. T. Logan, J. Cavanaugh.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds for Publishing the Minutes—W. B. Bertels.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—D. J. Santmier, J. Gray.

On Conference Claims and Claimants—G. W. Coleman, G. Eakins, J. T. Logan,  
J. W. Valentine, G. Peverill.

Conference Tellers—A. Santmier, E. D. Prentice.

Conference Treasurers—J. Wintsch, C. F. Wurster.

On Education—J. Gray, A. G. Miller, E. Freeman, G. Eakins.

On Sabbath Observance—J. T. Cameron, D. J. Santmier, M. B. Myer, A. W.  
Myer.

On Secret Societies—A. G. Miller, J. Gray, O. D. Seward.

On Prohibition—D. J. Santmier, A. W. Myer, O. V. Ketels.

On Publications—J. T. Logan, C. M. Sanford, J. Gray.

On the State of the Work—G. Eakins, J. T. Logan, A. G. Miller.

On Memoirs—O. D. Seward, G. Eakins, W. Gould.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

O. D. Seward, president; H. W. Armstrong, secretary; W. B. Bertels, A. G. Miller,  
J. Gray.

## CONFERENCE MISSIONARY BOARD

A. G. Miller, president; A. W. Myer, secretary; W. B. Bertels, treasurer; G. Eakins,  
C. O. Schantz.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

G. Eakins, president; E. Freeman, secretary; A. G. Miller.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this  
conference?

### PREACHERS

S. V. McVey,  
J. Wintsch,  
W. B. Rose,  
J. Cavanaugh,  
M. B. Myer,  
D. J. Santmier,

O. V. Ketels,  
J. W. Tamblin,  
J. T. Logan,  
H. W. Armstrong,  
A. W. Myer,  
E. Freeman,

G. Eakins,  
J. T. Michael,  
O. D. Seward,  
J. E. Payne,  
C. M. Sanford,  
W. Gould.

C. F. Wurster,  
A. G. Miller,  
W. H. Laning,  
J. T. Cameron,  
W. R. Tamblin,

### DELEGATES

E. D. Prentice,  
A. Santmier,  
W. B. Bertels,  
G. R. Taylor,

A. H. Michael,  
G. Peverill,  
O. Parsley,  
C. Ray.

Nellie Reid,  
J. Cooley,  
Louisa Smith,

J. Gray,  
J. W. Valentine,  
M. A. Parker,

2. Who are the stationing committee? G. W. Coleman, G. Eakins, J. T.  
Logan, J. W. Valentine, G. Peverill.



3. What preachers are admitted on trial? Arthur Santmier.
4. Who remain on trial? S. E. Davies.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.
6. Who are the deacons? M. A. Parker was ordained local deacon.
- 7, 8. None.
9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? S. V. McVey, W. H. Laning.
- 10, 11. None.
12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? J. T. Cameron.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? None.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation, etc.? The character of each was examined and passed.
15. Who have died this year? T. W. Scull, J. E. Bristol.
- 16-23. See statistical report.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Allentown, Pennsylvania, as near September 15, 1902, as may suit the convenience of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The twenty-eighth annual session of the New York conference was held at Alexandria, Virginia, September 18-22, 1901. General Superintendent G. W. Coleman presided. Six sittings were held.

J. W. Valentine, layman, was elected to represent the Wilkes Barre and Windsor districts on the stationing committee, and G. Peverill to represent the New York and Philadelphia districts.

M. A. Parker was ordained local deacon on Sunday.

G. Eakins was re-elected district elder of the New York and Philadelphia districts, and A. G. Miller district elder of the Wilkes Barre and Windsor districts. E. Freeman was elected conference missionary.

Rev. S. D. Moulter, of the Primitive Methodist church; Rev. J. A. Jeffers, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church; Rev. J. H. S. Ewell, pastor of the Methodist Protestant church; Rev. W. B. Stoddard, of the National Christian Association, were introduced to the conference and invited to honorary seats.

The collections were ordered to be taken in the following order: First quarter, Conference Missions; second quarter, General Superintendents' and General Missions; third quarter, Conference Claimants'; fourth quarter, Church Extension.

A vote of thanks was extended to the president for the efficient and impartial manner in which he presided over the conference; to the people of Alexandria for their kindness and hospitality; to the pastor for his untiring efforts in ministering to the convenience and comfort of those attending, and to the trustees of the First Presbyterian church for the free use of their church where the session was held.

## APPOINTMENTS

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—G. EAKINS, District Elder.

Brooklyn.....	O. D. Seward
New York.....	C. F. Wurster
Newark.....	O. V. Ketels
Elizabeth.....	To be supplied

Dover and Amity ..... M. B. Myer  
 Liberty Falls, Briscoe, Egypt and Berrybrook ..... J. W. Tambllyn  
 Big Hollow and North Settlement ..... M. A. Parker, supply  
 Allaben ..... Nellie Myer, supply  
 Port Clinton, Port Jervis, Milford ..... D. M. Thomas, supply  
 W. B. Rose, assistant publishing agent; J. E. Payne, left without appointment at his request.

#### PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—G. EAKINS, District Elder.

Philadelphia, West Philadelphia and Vineland ..... D. J. Santmier  
 Pleasant Hill and Havre de Grace ..... To be supplied  
 Alexandria and Washington ..... J. Cavanaugh  
 Avery, Lay Hill, Rockville and Spencerville ..... To be supplied  
 J. T. Michael, evangelist; W. H. Laning, supernumerary.

#### WILKES BARRE DISTRICT.—A. G. MILLER, District Elder.

Wilkes Barre and Dorranceton ..... J. T. Logan  
 Orange, Harvey's Lake, Vernon and Plattsburg ..... I. Sutton, supply  
 Prospect Hill, Keiserville, Meshoppen and Russel Hill ..... H. W. Armstrong  
 Waverly, Scranton, Highland ..... S. D. Molter, supply  
 White Haven ..... Arthur Santmier  
 Beaumont ..... M. A. Creech, supply  
 Beech Lake and Berlin ..... J. Wintsch  
 Canaan, Ariel, Pink ..... W. Gould  
 Allentown ..... C. M. Sanford  
 Phillipsburg ..... To be supplied  
 S. V. McVey, supernumerary; E. Freeman, conference missionary.

#### \* WINDSOR DISTRICT.—A. G. MILLER, District Elder.

Windsor, East Windsor, Bainbridge ..... A. W. Myer  
 Unadilla and Portlandville ..... To be supplied  
 Ararat, Steven's Point, Oquaga Lake, Kenyon Hill, West Preston ..... E. D. Prentice, supply  
 Uniondale ..... To be supplied  
 Lake Como, Stanton Hill, Kingsbury Hill, Babbitsville, Equinunk and Sherwoods ..... S. E. Davies  
 Walton and Baxter Brook ..... L. E. Barriger, supply  
 W. R. Tambllyn, left without appointment to attend school.

## CONFERENCE ROLL AND PREACHERS' ADDRESSES

Year of Admission into full connection.	Name.	Address.
1863	W. Gould	Simon, Wayne county, Pennsylvania
1872	S. V. McVey	Hollisterville, "
1874	O. V. Ketels	249 Belmont street, Newark, New Jersey
1876	G. Eakins	41 Stanley street, Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania
1877	C. F. Wurster	14 Utica avenue, Brooklyn, New York
1878	J. Wintsch	Beech Lake, Pennsylvania
1878	J. W. Tambllyn	Liberty Falls, New York
1879	J. T. Michael	Vineland, New Jersey
1880	D. J. Santmier	Vineland, "
1881	A. G. Miller	72 Bennett street, Phillipsburg, "
1882	W. B. Rose	932 North Kedzie avenue, Chicago, Illinois
1885	J. T. Logan	13 Academy street, Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania
1885	O. D. Seward	124 Sixteenth street, Brooklyn, New York
1887	W. H. Laning	Barnsboro, New Jersey
1890	J. Cavanaugh	402 South Lee street, Alexandria, Virginia
1892	H. W. Armstrong	Vose, Wyoming county, Pennsylvania
1893	J. G. Payne	
1896	A. W. Myer	Windsor, New York
1896	W. R. Tambllyn	Hamilton, "
1896	C. M. Sanford	444 Turner street, Allentown, Pennsylvania
1898	M. B. Myer	Dover, New Jersey
1898	E. Freeman	17 Lockhard street, Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania
1900	S. E. Davies (on trial)	Lake Como, "
1901	A. Santmier (on trial)	White Haven, "

## EVANGELISTS

Mrs. Mary E. Santmier	.....	Vineland, New Jersey
Mrs. Emily Dickson	..... 5507 Hunter avenue,	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Mrs. Calista Fairchild	.....	Pelham, New York
Miss A. E. Haviland	.....	Rahway, New Jersey
Mrs. Ellen M. Reed	.....	Waymart, Pennsylvania
Miss Mattie A. Creech	.....	Bear Creek, "
Mrs. Lucy Martin	.....	Lake Como, "
Mrs. Louisa A. Smith	..... 197 avenue A,	New York, New York
Miss Nellie Myer	.....	Allaben, "
Mrs. Lillie E. Barriger	.....	Walton, "
Mrs. Lulu Pantley	.....	Milford, Pennsylvania
Mr. A. H. Michael	.....	Windsor, New York
Mrs. Nellie Reid	.....	Walton, "

## LOCAL PREACHERS—ELDERS

W. B. Bertels	.....	Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania
James Gray	..... 246 Fourteenth street,	Brooklyn, New York
J. T. Smith	.....	Alexandria, Virginia
S. R. Hopson	.....	Little Falls, New Jersey
E. B. Hawley	.....	East Kent, Connecticut
A. Sergeant	.....	Wilmington, Delaware
G. W. Swingle	.....	South Canaan, Pennsylvania

## LOCAL PREACHERS—DEACONS

B. G. Ely	.....	Pink, Wayne county, Pennsylvania
C. Kaoppel	.....	Brooklyn, New York
E. D. Prentice	.....	Stevens Point, Pennsylvania
A. R. Henry	..... 2450 Columbia avenue,	Philadelphia, "
D. M. Thomas	.....	Milford, "
W. W. Bartholomew	.....	Liberty Falls, New York
E. S. Wolfe	.....	Milford, Pennsylvania
E. F. Dewey	.....	Walton, New York

## LOCAL PREACHERS—UNORDAINED

James Nichols	.....	Orson, Pennsylvania
W. J. Barnes	.....	Beech Lake, "
George Brazee	.....	Walton, New York
B. C. Fuller	.....	Scranton, Pennsylvania
J. B. Hendall	..... 154 Pennsylvania avenue,	Phoenixville, "
A. H. Kresge	.....	Wilkes Barre, "
I. Parker	.....	Avery, Maryland
P. Phillips	.....	West Lenox, Pennsylvania
W. H. Sands	.....	Dover, New Jersey
F. B. Sanford	.....	Deposit, New York
A. Smith	.....	Uniondale, Pennsylvania
B. F. Schantz	.....	Allentown, "
C. McKinney	.....	Simon, "
A. Watrous	.....	Oceanum, New York
W. Wilhelm	.....	Perth Amboy, New Jersey
V. C. Ketels	..... 155 Thirty-first street,	Brooklyn, New York
J. Q. Tompkins	..... 384 Eighteenth street,	" " "
R. P. Johnston	..... 128 Nineteenth street,	" " "
H. Mathews	..... 320 Fourteenth street,	" " "
I. Sutton	.....	Orange, Pennsylvania
C. Syreen	.....	Liberty, New York
R. S. Phillips	.....	Winwood, Pennsylvania
J. D. Howard	.....	Windham, New York
M. A. Parker	.....	Big Hollow, "

M. W. Benton.....	Africa
W. Mosedale.....	Washington, D. C.
B. Armstrong.....	Vineland, New Jersey
Eugene F. Myer.....	Godeffroy, New York
Raymond C. Smith.....	Uniondale, Pennsylvania
A. Kress.....	349 East Tenth street, New York, New York
U. D. Barber.....	Russell Hill, Pennsylvania
J. W. Wetherill.....	Waverly, "
J. C. Sanford.....	Island Pond, "
C. S. Myer.....	Milford, "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

ON PUBLISHING THE MINUTES.—Raised and forwarded to S. K. J. Chesbro, \$25.00.

CONFERENCE CLAIMS AND CLAIMANTS.—Appropriation for next year: Elizabeth McDougall, \$150.00; Mrs. Joseph Travis, \$100.00; Emma H. Haviland and children, \$150.00; Margaret Scull and children, \$97.00. Total, \$497.00.

MISSIONARY BOARD TREASURER.—Balance on hand last year, \$71.06; received during the year, \$145.63; received from conference treasurer, \$113.38. Total receipts, \$330.07.

Paid A. G. Miller, \$300.00; balance on hand, \$30.07. Total, \$330.07.

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.—Received for Conference Claimants, \$313.63; General Superintendents, \$186.12; Church Extension, \$91.09; Conference Missions, \$259.01; General Missions, \$155.10; Foreign Missions, \$210.62; Educational Fund, \$8.47; Children's Fund, \$6.29. Total, \$1,230.33.

### II.—ON MEMOIRS.

REV. T. W. SCULL.

Rev. T. W. Scull was born March 19, 1867, and died June 2, 1901, at Vineland, New Jersey. At the age of eight years, while attending school, he received an injury which caused him years of suffering and at last the loss of limb and also of life. At sixteen he was converted while attending service at an M. E. church in Philadelphia. He united with this church and remained a member until 1887, when he removed to May's Landing, New Jersey, and there united with the Wesleyan Methodist church, by which church he was licensed to preach in 1892, and ordained elder in 1894. He was united in marriage to Miss Maggie Mahon, of Dunkirk, Ohio, May 2, 1894. He was received by transfer from the Wesleyan Methodist church into the New York conference of the Free Methodist church in the fall of 1896, and served the following circuits: Philadelphia, Ararat, Meshoppen and Vineland. The one ambition of his life was to preach the gospel. He said to his physician, "Doctor, I do not shrink from pain, nor am I afraid to die, but I want to live to preach the gospel." His testimony before undergoing the last operation, which deprived him of his limb, was: "It is all right whichever way this comes out, but I prefer to live, and this is my only chance for life." His nerve was remarkable, his endurance surprising, and no less so must have been his transfer from the church militant to the church triumphant. A father, mother, brothers, sisters, wife and two little ones are left to mourn. The church at Vineland was filled with sympathizing friends at his funeral. Rev. O. D. Seward preached from Job 14:14. Appropriate remarks were made by Dr. King, Dr. Entrickier, Dr. Hubbell and Rev. M. Douglass. The church loses an able minister, the wife an affectionate husband, the children a loving father. We bow our heads and pray, "Thy will be done."

JAMES E. BRISTOL.

As the writer entered a house in Harpursville, Broome county, New York, December 15, 1874—the use of which had been kindly offered to him by its owner, under a conviction that it was in God's order to do so—his attention was attracted by a Scripture motto, written in the paint on the door. On a beam stretching across the ceiling of the room first entered, he read, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." On the door and window frames were other scriptures that had been inscribed in the paint while it was damp; and even on the window panes a diamond had been used to write the word of the Lord. During parts of the two following years myself and family dwelt in that consecrated home, with these visible reminders of its owner's religious tastes daily before us. On Monday, April 16, 1901, I entered that house again, and found the mortal part of the beloved owner prepared for final removal therefrom. Aided by Brother J. T. Logan, the district elder, and A. W. Myer, the pastor, I proclaimed "The gain of the Christian at his death," to the neighbors and friends who had gathered from nearly every home in the village and sur-

rounding parts, crowding each downstairs room so that it was necessary to put an extra prop underneath the floor. The six sons lovingly bore his body to the hearse and the grave. The bereaved, yet comforted wife, and two dearly loved daughters, several relatives of the family—Free Methodists from other parts of the circuit—together with a crowd of near neighbors, scarce any of whom were members of the Free Methodist church, followed. It was a scene to be long remembered. And so we laid away the body of our brother, James E. Bristol, of precious memory, and whose name is as ointment poured forth to those who knew him. He was born at Coventry, New York, June 25, 1842; was converted in the Presbyterian church when about seventeen years of age; was married to Miss Frances Augusta Roe, November 14, 1866. He joined the Free Methodist church in 1872. He was sanctified wholly at Abington camp-meeting, August 19 of the same year. He was licensed to preach and received into the New York annual conference in 1873; was ordained deacon in 1875, and elder in 1877. He was stationed two years on the Abington circuit; two years at Allentown, Pennsylvania; two years at Dover, New Jersey; again one year at Allentown, and one at Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania. Then obliged, by the breaking down of his health, to cease from service as preacher in charge in 1881, he returned to Harpursville and took a superannuated relation, without claim, in which relation he remained till 1899, when he took certificate of location. Yet he has continued to preach by his pen, issuing religious tracts, publishing papers, and otherwise. Such is the bare outline of a career, the full record of which only eternity will reveal.

Brother Bristol was emphatically a good man. His character was specially marked by thorough Christian integrity. He could be relied on to do whatever he believed to be duty, in every relation of life. He was intelligent, clear-headed, conscientious, calm and firm. He possessed the elements of a true reformer, and feared not to stand and be counted on the side of truth, no matter how unpopular; yet he was not rash but judicious and affectionate. He was a preacher of marked ability. He never indulged in clap trap talk. His words were well considered, weighty, forceful and convincing. He was a lover of good discipline and order. Laxity and looseness were to him abominable, yet as preacher in charge he was much beloved. His experience, and the profession of it was clear. His emotional nature was usually under perfect control. The writer never remembers him out of his depth but once; that was at the time of his entire sanctification, when from about four o'clock till seven p. m., he sat on the end of the anxious seat, where he had just received the sanctifying baptism, quietly exclaiming repeatedly, as he slapped his hands on his knees, "What a happy fool I am." As the evening service was then beginning, he evidently thought he must behave differently, and exclaimed, "Hold on, Lord," but on being exhorted by the leader of the meeting not to pray so, but to cry, "Lord, enlarge the vessel," he obeyed, and presently said, "Lord, let it come," and come it did, a veritable glory shower, on him and on all around, so that ordinary preaching was out of the question, and the altar was quickly filled with seekers of pardon and purity. An attack of pneumonia brought him to the gates of death in about four days. He had been living ready, and departed in peace. It was not a gloomy funeral that we had. There were tears, but no sighs. Verily true believers do not die. His children rise up and call him blessed; and his loving life companion is not sorrowing as those do who have no hope, but is strengthened in her bereavement by heavenly consolations.

### III.—ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Sabbath was instituted by the Lord as a day of rest and worship and its observance conduces to the highest well being of soul and body.

Therefore, we advise our people to do all in their power to perpetuate its memory and observance. To this end it seems expedient for us to advise a strict observance of the same; to avoid all buying and selling and all doubtful actions, such as pleasure seeking, riding on the cars, buying milk, and such other popular ways of violating the Lord's day as may be prevalent where our people live. We believe in giving God and our souls the benefit of being on the safe side of doubtful actions. We strongly disapprove of our people delivering, or having delivered, milk at factories or railroad stations on this holy day.

### IV.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

This is a subject having a very important bearing upon our life as a church. People are affected and influenced by the character of their reading. There cannot be too much stress laid upon the necessity of furnishing pure reading matter to those whom we would lead in the right way. While the press is an inestimable blessing when used properly, it becomes a powerful agency in the dissemination of worldly and corrupting literature over the land when in the hands of the enemies of the cause of God.

The education of the young people of today has made a demand for books and papers unheard of before. The wonderful facilities for furnishing reading matter has cheapened the supply and increased the demand. So the responsibility of doing our part in providing literature wholesome and pure for those under our care and within our reach is resting heavily upon us as a people professing godliness.



Everywhere false doctrine is asserting itself in the form of literature of various kinds, and frequently it is disguised by being mixed with truth. On all sides, little, irresponsible sheets, advocating some pet hobby, are thrust upon us for our patronage. It is high time that our church awake to its duty and privilege regarding this matter. Very few comparatively subscribe for our church paper, and yet the majority of them are taking one or more secular papers, and often other religious journals. No person can be a genuine, intelligent, well-informed Free Methodist unless he reads the *Free Methodist*, and no home among us should be without our church paper, the *Discipline* and our hymn book. We deplore the fact that so few of our members have any of these three valuable aids to Christian life and character.

We heartily commend the *Free Methodist*, which is so carefully and ably edited; the *Earnest Christian*, with its pure matter; the *Missionary Tidings*, devoted to our foreign work; and we cannot speak too highly of the clean, bright and pure Sabbath-school papers and lesson helps, issued by our publishing house, to aid us in the instruction of the children and young people under our care.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NEW YORK CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
Brooklyn.....	\$1 42		\$163 43		\$929 37			1	\$900 0	1	\$3000
New York.....	1 50	\$1 50	35 00		425 00			1	18000		
Newark.....			60 00	\$2 50	675 00			1	4000	1	1500
Elizabeth.....					8 00						
Dover and Amity.....	19		36 00		359 57			1	4000		
Philadelphia and West Philadelphia	1 00	1 00	15 02		422 63			1	6450		
Pleasant Hill and Havre de Grace.					32 14			1	800		
Alexandria and Washington.....			22 33		385 83			1	1500		
Rockville, Avery, Lay Hill, etc...		3 04	8 00		345 92			1	500		
Vineland.....					61 50			1	1800	1	2000
Wilkes Barre and Dorranceton.....	1 00		77 00		578 10			1	10500		
Orange, Harvey's Lake, etc.....			5 00		54 78			1	500		
Prospect Hill, Keiserville, etc.....			38 98		400 19			3	2500	1	375
Waverly, Scranton, Highland.....					†339 58			1	2000		
White Haven.....			11 28		77 00			1	800		
Beaumont.....			8 25		46 00						
Canaan, Ariel and Pink.....			14 16		176 34			1	1500	1	350
Beech Lake and Berlin.....			10 13		273 42			1	1800		
Allentown.....	3 00		43 00		535 00			1	3500	1	2000
Phillipsburg.....											
Windsor, East Windsor, etc.....			6 88		415 00			1	2000	1	900
Unadilla and Portlandville.....								1	800		
Ararat, Stevens Point, etc.....	1 00	75	6 84	10	275 00			1	800		
Uniondale.....	2 00							2	1300		
Lake Como, Stanton Hill, etc.....			10 27		364 50			1	1200		
Walton and Baxter Brook.....			30 00		355 61						
Liberty Falls, Briscoe, etc.....			33 00		559 29			1	2000	1	1500
Big Hollow, North Settlement, etc			21 53		409 40			2	2000	1	1000
Port Clinton and Milford.....			25 00		225 00			1	800		
N. Y., Philad'a and Catskill Dists.						\$847 10					
Wilkes Barre and Windsor Dists.						886 17					
A. G. Miller, conference missionary					300 00						
Total.....	\$11 47	\$6 29	\$390 10	\$2 60	\$9029 59	\$1733 33		29	\$79550	9	\$12625

\* Paid for six months. † Paid A. G. Miller.



# CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twenty-third Annual Session, held at Pana, Illinois, September 18-21, 1901

## OFFICERS

W. A. SELLEW, President.

J. C. SILLS, Secretary.

A. L. CRUMLEY, Railroad Secretary

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—W. A. Sellew, J. H. Flower, M. A. Cox.

On Sabbath-schools—W. T. Graham, H. G. Ahlemeyer, W. H. Cooper, G. W. Hood.

On Publications—M. A. Cox, S. D. Barritt, D. W. Sala.

On Education—J. C. Sills, S. K. Wheatlake, J. H. Moss.

On Reforms—A. L. Crumley, J. L. McGiffin, B. F. Grigg, Isaac Kesler.

On State of the Work—W. R. Bonham, F. H. Ashcraft, J. H. Flower, J. E. Reed, J. W. Springer.

To Collect Funds to Publish Minutes—B. Y. Neal.

To Receive Church Extension Fund—R. W. Sanderson.

To Receive General Missions Fund—C. A. Fleming.

To Receive Foreign Missions Fund—J. N. Vannattan.

To Receive Conference Missions Fund—B. F. Grigg.

To Receive Educational Fund—W. C. Kelley.

To Receive Money for General Superintendents—W. D. Cochran.

To Receive Money for Conference Claimants—A. J. Smith.

On Missions and Missionary Appropriations—The stationing committee.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—B. F. Grigg, W. C. Kelley, J. F. Deremiah.

Treasurer of Home Missions Fund—W. R. Bonham.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

C. A. Fleming, J. H. Moss, W. R. Bonham, F. H. Ashcraft, A. L. Crumley.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

W. T. Graham, president, for five years; J. H. Flower, for four years; F. H. Ashcraft, for three years; J. LaDue, for two years; J. C. Sills, for one year.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Home Missions and General Missions; second quarter, General Superintendents' and Foreign Missions; third quarter, Conference Claimants'; fourth quarter, Church Extension, Educational Fund and General Conference Delegates' Expenses.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Sabbath-schools—A. J. Smith.

On Publications—W. R. Bonham.

On Reforms—M. A. Cox.

On Education—F. H. Ashcraft.

On State of the Work—B. F. Grigg.

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## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

## PREACHERS

R. W. Sanderson,	M. A. Cox,	S. D. Barritt,	J. L. McGiffin,
Wiley Johnson,	B. Y. Neal,	G. W. Hood,	W. C. Kelley,
C. A. Fleming,	J. F. Deremiah,	W. D. Cochran,	A. J. Smith,
J. H. Flower,	H. F. Ashcraft,	W. T. Graham,	D. W. Sala,
H. G. Ahlemeyer,	A. L. Crumley,	B. F. Grigg,	J. A. Manning,
W. R. Bonham,	J. N. Vannattan,	F. H. Ashcraft,	J. C. Sills,
E. R. Banning,	W. Sherman,	M. H. Shephard,	W. W. Bruce,
J. LaDue,	Masazi Kakahara,	B. C. Dewey,	S. K. Wheatlake,
D. R. Taylor,	J. Adams,	D. Kimbro,	W. A. Dillon.

## DELEGATES

J. W. Springer,	Birdie Rockwell,	M. Smith,	Mary A. Marshal,
J. Duncan,	W. H. Cooper,	Martha Stanfield,	Clara Edwards,
J. W. Smith,	G. A. Hayden,	Isaac Kesler,	Charles Geer,
J. N. Knoles,	B. F. Jones,	J. H. Moss,	Mary J. Reed,
J. E. Reed,	T. A. Dillbeck,	L. Z. Young,	B. C. Johnson,
Samuel White,	G. W. Green.	M. A. Whitehead,	Valentine Barnhart.

2. Who are the stationing committee?—W. A. Sellew, W. R. Bonham
- F. H. Ashcraft, J. H. Flower, J. W. Smith, I. Kessler, W. H. Cooper.
3. What preachers are admitted on trial? M. E. Lude, B. C. Johnson.
4. Who remain on trial? C. P. Ewing, I. W. Maxey.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? D. R. Taylor.
6. Who are the deacons? S. D. Barritt, E. R. Banning, B. C. Dewey.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? H. F. Ashcraft, M. H. Shephard.
11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? J. Adams, from the West Kansas conference.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Macomb, Illinois, as near September 15, 1902, as practical.

## APPOINTMENTS

COWDEN DISTRICT.—C. A. FLEMING, District Elder, Greenville, Illinois.

Cowden and Bethany.....	J. C. Sills, Cowden, Illinois
Sheilbyville.....	Ella Smith, supply, Tower Hill, “
Sylvan and Moccasin.....	“ To be supplied
St. James and La Clede.....	H. G. Ahlemeyer, La Clede, Illinois
Lovington, Bethany and Decatur.....	D. W. Sala, Lovington, “
Tower Hill and Lakewood.....	A. J. Smith, Tower Hill, “
Pana, Ohlman and Robert's Chapel.....	J. N. Vannattan, Pana, “
Mt. Vernon and Home.....	C. P. Ewing, Mt. Vernon, “
Bingham, Bethel and Ramsey.....	M. E. Lude, Bingham, “
Ivesdale.....	“ To be supplied
Eldorado.....	“ To be supplied
B. C. Dewey, conference evangelist.	

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.—B. F. GRIGG, District Elder, Durley, Illinois.

Greenville.....	S. K. Wheatlake, Greenville, Illinois
Woburn and Sorento.....	J. Adams, “
Vandalia.....	“ To be supplied
Dudleyville and Pocahontas.....	“ To be supplied
Coffeen.....	E. R. Banning, Coffeen, Illinois
Keyesport.....	C. A. Stoll, supply
Smithboro.....	“ To be supplied
Dutch Hollow and Alma.....	J. L. McGiffin, Birkner, Illinois
J. La Due, professor in Greenville College; W. Sherman, M. Kakahara, left without	

appointment; W. R. Bonham, D. Kimbro, evangelists; J. H. Flower, assistant principal of Wessington Springs Seminary, Wessington Springs, South Dakota.

#### LITCHFIELD DISTRICT.—B. F. GRIGG, District Elder.

Litchfield.....	I. W. Maxey, Litchfield, Illinois
Hettick, Raymond and Honey Bend.....	B. C. Johnson, Hettick, "
Taylorville and Owaneco.....	W. A. Dillon, Taylorville, "
Hillsboro and Irving.....	M. A. Cox, Hillsboro, "

#### IPAVA DISTRICT.—W. D. COCHRAN, District Elder, Macomb, Illinois.

Ipava and Summum.....	W. T. Graham, Ipava, Illinois
Vermont and Ray.....	G. W. Hood, Vermont, "
Antioch and Fairfield.....	A. L. Crumley, Rushville, "
Colchester.....	R. W. Sanderson, Colchester, "
Macomb.....	B. Y. Neal, Macomb, "
Webster and Pleasant Grove.....	Wiley Johnson, Tennessee, "
Carman, Lomax and Dallas City.....	W. C. Kelley, Etta Kelley, supply, Carman, "
Lewistown.....	J. F. Deremiah, Lewiston, "
Naples and Bluffs.....	D. R. Taylor, Naples, "

W. W. Bruce, principal Orleans Seminary; H. F. Ashcraft, M. H. Shephard, superannuated; S. D. Barritt, F. H. Ashcraft, evangelists.

#### JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—W. D. COCHRAN, District Elder.

Mason City.....	W. Irving, supply, Mason City, Illinois
Athens and Kilbourne.....	J. A. Manning, Athens, "
Hopedale and Forest City.....	T. Symons, supply, Hopedale, "
Jacksonville.....	To be supplied

## EVANGELISTS' ADDRESSES

Lou E. Fleming.....	Greenville, Illinois
Marguerite Barnes.....	Greenville, "
Minnie E. Ashcraft.....	Rushville, "
Lily E. Hood.....	Vermont, "
Etta Kelley.....	Carman, "
E. F. Barritt.....	Colchester, "
Minnie Barritt.....	Colchester, "
Emma Ahlemeyer.....	La Clede, "
Ella M. Smith.....	Tower Hill, "
Addie Ashcraft.....	Ray, "
J. M. Shuler.....	Owaneco, "
Lulu Ewing.....	Mt. Vernon, "
Mamie E. Douglas.....	Augusta, "
Martha Lee.....	Pana, "
Blanche Cook.....	Pana, "
Lillie Taylor.....	Pana, "
D. C. Neisler.....	Coffeen, "
Carrie M. Flower.....	Wessington Springs, South Dakota
Gertie McDonald.....	Cedar Rapids, Iowa

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed, \$420.60. Deficit of 1900, \$30.00. Total, \$450.60.

Cash and receipts, \$450.60.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed, \$210.30. Surplus, \$4.76. Total, \$215.06.

Cash and receipts, \$215.06.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' CLAIM.—Assessed and paid, \$252.36.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—Amount raised, \$4.73.

CHILDREN'S FUND.—Amount raised, \$2.45.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Cash and receipts, \$63.13.



## II.—ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

We regard the Sabbath-school as a nursery to the church. As its work is largely with the children its aim is to so present the truths of the Bible that early in life they may be led to Christ. This being true, we urge upon our pastors the duty of taking a greater interest in this part of the church work. As there is a tendency on the part of some ministers and laymen among us to neglect the Sabbath-school, we would exhort them to be more diligent in attendance. And, as far as is in our power we will, by precept and by example, help to carry on our Sabbath-school work. We urge that our schools be organized according to the Discipline, that their officers and teachers be spiritual persons, and that the literature be that of our own publication.

## III.—ON REFORMS.

The term reform implies that something is wrong. In some instances it is seriously so. A reform in almost every department is the pressing demand. We are painfully aware that we are living in perilous times. The evident need of the age is a Luther or Knox. Free Methodism with her clean Discipline should be in the front rank of all true reform movements.

**SECRET SOCIETIES.**—We re-affirm our position as one of radical opposition to all secret societies. They are anti-Christian, and as such are inevitably detrimental to mankind, socially and morally. We have cause for alarm when we consider their rapid increase in every town and village. Since they are dangerous to our religious liberty and a menace to our government, we should be earnest in our efforts to undeceive the people and give to them the true gospel which will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, for their oaths are shockingly blasphemous, and frequently they prevent justice in our civil courts by shielding the guilty.

**THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.**—What a monster of iniquity! It besets us on every side. This traffic is evil, only evil, and that continually. It has grown to alarming proportions. It is a foe to the bodies and souls of men. To license such an iniquitous institution is sin. We could as consistently collect revenue from any other vice. From the legislative bodies down through all the lesser branches of government its corrupting reign is seen and felt; God and humanity, righteousness and truth are ignored. No device is too diabolical for it to adopt to perpetuate its nefarious business. Language is inadequate to portray its awful work. But how shall a reform be brought about? High license, low license, no license, all seem to add fuel to the flame, power to might. We preach, pray, shed tears, sign pledges, make entreaties, still the iniquity has increased. Goliath was beheaded by his own sword in the hand of a shepherd boy, so we would slay this giant with his own weapon, the law—a prohibition law so firmly founded that it will remain till Jesus comes. For God's law is prohibition of all crime, and all human law should be in harmony with the divine.

**SABBATH DESECRATION.**—Sabbath desecration is being carried on to such an alarming extent that it is pressing upon society the necessity of a speedy reform. The evil is assuming great proportions. It presents itself in many forms. The sanctity of the Sabbath has in a great measure been lost. Almost all kinds of business, not only those that in their nature are evil but those also that are legitimate, are carried on the same as on other days. The Christian Sabbath as a moral and civil institution is being threatened by influences adverse to its perpetuity. There is a tendency to underrate its sacredness and prostitute it to worldly business and carnal pleasures. Only when the last Sabbath-breaking institution shall have ceased its sinful work may we cease to lift our voice against this terrible evil.

**WORLDLY CONFORMITY.**—In the matter of dress we would continue to adhere to the standard given in God's word and our Discipline. We are stemming a fearful tide of superfluous apparel. The Goddess of Fashion still holds sway over the masses, causing them to sin in pampering pride, and leading them thereby into other sins and crimes. We would therefore recommend a careful compliance with our rules on dress, as "becometh those professing godliness." The church should be carefully guarded by those having the oversight of our work from all encroachments of worldliness, and a reformation urged on the part of others.

**ROMANISM.**—Roman hierarchy is in character and polity, inimical to American institutions. The church of Rome, from the Pope down to the lowest priest, if he be loyal to ecclesiastical oaths and obligations, is opposed to our free school systems, free institutions and religious liberties. Her past bloody history is indeed prophetic of her intentions for the future. She is evidently seeking for power, religiously and politically. Let us do all we can to expose her deceptions.





## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE—

CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
IPAVA DISTRICT											
Ipava and Sumnum.....					\$ 314 73	\$34 80	\$ 15 00	1	\$ 900	1	\$900
Vermont and Ray.....			\$30 38		350 16	37 60		2	2500	1	400
Antioch and Fairfield.....			40 00		345 77	61 82		3	3000	1	550
Colchester.....			20 40		376 31	60 22	90 49	3	3100	1	600
Macomb.....		\$ 62	37 85		415 00	50 00	12 25	1	200		
Webster and Pleasant Grove.....					85 00	6 00		1	1400		
Lewistown.....			30 00		342 00	43 64	26 00	3	3000	1	800
Lomax and Carman.....			22 92		300 00	35 69	25 80	1	1200		
Payson and McGee.....						34 00	157 40				
Naples and Bluffs.....											
JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT											
Hopedale and Manito.....			41 00		195 00	32 00	33 20	2	1200	1	300
Mason City.....			10 00		332 87	20 85	5 00	1	1000	1	800
Athens and Kilbourne.....					135 00	10 00	50 00	2	1000	1	400
Jacksonville.....								1	1800		
GREENVILLE DISTRICT											
Greenville.....			94 57		571 88	82 44		1	4000		
Woburn and Sorento.....	\$3 73		35 00		309 58	48 00	15 00	3	1900		
Coffeen.....			28 00		282 00	44 00	5 00	1	800	1	500
Bingham.....			8 62		100 00	23 25	3 75	1	1000		
Dudleyville and Pocahontas.....			5 00		186 00	21 58	5 00	2	1400	1	600
Smithboro and Keyesport.....					13 00	4 40		3	1800		
Dutch Hollow and Alma.....			25 00			52 00		2	1500	1	300
LITCHFIELD DISTRICT											
Litchfield.....			23 94		243 05	32 88		1	1000	1	500
Hillsboro and Irving.....		1 45	24 70		410 00	55 60	19 00	2	1600	1	800
Taylorville and Owaneco.....			30 00		468 38	54 60	60 00	3	3000	1	600
Hettick and Honey Bend.....			14 20		250 52	32 54	22 22	3	200		
COWDEN DISTRICT											
Cowden.....			30 47	1 00	410 00	82 00	32 68	2	2000	1	600
Tower Hill and Cold Springs.....			30 47	1 00	349 91	51 09	28 00	3	2000	1	600
Pana and Ohlman.....			40 00		395 00	60 00	20 00	3	3000	1	300
Shelbyville.....			27 69		344 35	46 00	14 00	2	1500		
Vandalia and St James.....			16 31		325 00	36 00	50 00	2	2000		
Mt. Vernon and Wayne.....			20 00		179 87	30 00		1	1600		
La Clede.....	1 00	1 00	10 43		181 67	30 55	51 12	1	1000	1	600
Bethany and Lovington.....			13 70	30	246 65	40 00		2	1200		
Ivesdale.....						34 54					
Eldorado.....											
Total.....	\$4 73	\$3 07	\$710 67	\$2 30	\$8449 70	\$1288 09	\$741 91 59		\$56400 18		\$10100

# EAST MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Eighteenth Annual Session, held at Davison, Michigan, September 25-28, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

E. D. HARTLEY, Secretary.

H. MONTGOMERY, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, W. H. Iles, S. G. Bartlett, W. W. Hoyt, Wright Bartlett.

On Church Literature—O. L. King, W. W. Hoyt, A. Yates.

To Receive General Missions Fund—M. L. Bovee.

To Receive Foreign Missions Fund—W. H. Haight.

To Raise Funds for Publishing Minutes—A. J. Stephens, W. E. Hosmer.

On Publishing Minutes—The secretaries.

To Receive General Superintendents' Claim—William Rumley.

To Receive Conference Claimants Fund—A. S. Stambaugh.

To Receive Educational and Children's Funds—Bion Voorhess.

On Sunday-schools—J. M. Green, J. D. Bullock, Emily Maxfield, Susan Sursaw.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—J. M. Green, M. L. Bovee, A. Depeel, James Burdett.

On Reforms—D. D. Marston, A. E. Warren, William Slack.

On Education—J. Burdett, W. J. Hallead, E. Call.

On State of the Work—The district elders.

On Memoirs—M. DeVoist, F. J. Calkins, Wright Bartlett, E. D. Hartley.

On Board of Conference Claimants—E. P. Hart, F. J. Calkins, H. Montgomery, A. Yates, John Dewitt.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

M. L. Bovee, president; W. H. Iles, secretary; E. D. Hartley, treasurer; Albert Yates, A. Kilbourne.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

M. L. Bovee, president; E. Steer, S. H. Porterfield, secretary.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

S. G. Bartlett, M. L. Bovee, C. H. Sage, C. D. Hoadley, S. H. Porterfield.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions and Home Missions; second quarter, Church Extension and Aid Society, and a sum equal to ten cents per member for Marine City Mission; third quarter, General Superintendents' Claim; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Literature—F. J. Calkins.

On Reforms—George Roe.

On Sunday-schools—J. M. Green.

On Education—O. L. King.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

## PREACHERS

W. W. Hoyt,	M. De Voist,	H. Burse,	H. Montgomery,
E. Steer,	F. J. Calkins,	S. H. Porterfield,	C. H. Sage,
I. Mudge,	M. L. Bovee,	W. R. Pattison,	E. D. Hartley,
E. Cook,	William Rennie,	J. W. Currier,	W. E. Hosmer,
Samuel Reed,	W. J. Jackson,	Elmer Barrett,	S. G. Bartlett,
W. H. Haight,	J. A. Spencer,	H. Voorhess,	A. J. Stevens,
James Burdett,	M. Cuthbert,	E. D. Blackman,	J. D. Bullock,
D. C. Embery,	C. D. Hoadley,	William Rumley,	J. M. Green,
J. N. Wilson,	A. J. Cooper,	W. H. Iles,	F. A. Perkins,
W. J. Hallead,	B. H. Green,	N. A. Davis,	W. S. Haight,
E. Crippen,	N. M. Cooke,	W. G. Roe,	O. L. King,
W. T. Sumner,	B. F. Doolittle,	A. S. Stambaugh,	S. S. Crandall,
S. Johnson,	D. D. Marston,	George Phetteplace,	Arthur E. Warren,
Bion Voorhess.			

## DELEGATES

Ithamer Shaw,	Mary E. Caldwell,	George Smith,	John Kirkbride,
Perry Oaks,	William Bearden,	Susan Porter,	W. F. Doering,
W. H. Bartlett,	A. E. Andrews,	Jeremiah Lockwood,	Morris McGarvey,
Ellen Hoadley,	Martha Martin,	Wright Bartlett,	Emily Maxfield,
Levina Sursaw,	E. B. Call,	Charles Hills,	David Richard,
Pierce Elwell,	Fred Wilson,	Albert Yates,	A. G. Hyde,
Charles A. Glass,	Albert Kilbourne,	U. O. Wilson,	A. A. Van Amburg,
O. P. Lake,	Eddie Wright,	Alexander Dunn,	John Dewitt,
Samuel Laugh,	Curtis Lumma,	T. E. Pringle,	Charles Link,
Susan Ribble,	Philip Tice,	A. Depeel,	William Beatty,
Hannah Bollier,	P. C. Gould,	William Slack,	Hattie Hiller,
Elias Roberts,	Charles Corwin,		

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, F. J. Calkins, M. DeVoist, E. Steer, H. Montgomery, A. Kilbourne, Albert Yates, W. F. Doering, John Dewitt.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? James S. Klink, by transfer from the East Ontario conference.

4. Who remain on trial? R. R. Haight, M. E. Howard, James S. Clink, A. D. Warren.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

6. Who are the deacons? W. E. Hosmer, William Jackson, N. A. Davis, W. J. Hallead, Elmer Barrett, J. M. Green, E. Crippen, A. J. Cooper, S. S. Crandall, George Phetteplace, A. E. Warren, G. W. Bedell.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? Samuel Reed.

8. Who have located this year? E. W. Smith, A. D. Noyes.

Who are the supernumerary preachers? Elmer Barrett, W. H. Iles.

10. Who are the superannuated preachers? J. A. Spencer, S. Johnson, J. W. Currier, E. D. Hartley, C. H. Sage, I. Mudge, W. S. Haight.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? George W. Bedell, a deacon from the North Michigan conference.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer? E. W. Harding, W. R. Pattison, Edward Cook.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? John Bartholomew.

16-20. See statistical report.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? W. S. Haight, \$80; J. A. Spencer, \$20; I.

Mudge, \$50; C. H. Sage, \$150; S. Johnson, \$90; E. D. Hartley, \$75; J. W. Currier, \$50; Hattie Bennett and two children, \$120. Total, \$635.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Elsie, Michigan, not earlier than the second Wednesday in September, and not later than the first Wednesday in October, 1902.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The eighteenth session convened at Davison, Michigan, General Superintendent E. P. Hart presiding. There were five sittings of the conference.

The following visiting ministers were introduced to the conference and invited to honorary seats: Rev. W. G. Lewis of the Ohio conference, Rev. A. Tice of the West Ontario conference, Rev. F. L. Baker, Rev. J. Baker and Rev. W. C. Muffitt of the Michigan conference, Rev. H. D. F. Gaffin of the North Michigan conference, also Miss Emma Appling, returned missionary from India.

Perry Oaks of 517 South Fifth street, East Flint, Michigan, was appointed treasurer of Marine City church fund.

The conference ordered that a sum equal to fifteen cents per member be raised for conference missions, and that the following appropriations be made: To the district elder of Bay City district, \$75.00; Bay City Mission, \$40.00; Saginaw Mission, \$25.00; Marine City Mission, \$25.00. H. Burse, district elder of Bay City district, treasurer.

A sum equal to eight cents per member was ordered to be taken on each circuit at once for the benefit of our aged brother, C. H. Sage. A memorial service for John Bartholomew was held on Saturday afternoon, where the report of the committee on memoirs was read, and remarks were made by several of the brethren.

## APPOINTMENTS

### ST. JOHNS DISTRICT.—H. MONTGOMERY, District Elder.

St. Johns.....	M. Cuthbert
South Ovid.....	To be supplied
Elsie, Ovid and Eureka.....	A. J. Stevens
Ithaca and Sickels.....	N. M. Cook
North Star.....	C. D. Hoadley
Oakley, Racy, Fergus and Brant.....	W. J. Hallead
Gaines, Linden and Swartz Creek.....	J. M. Green
Corunna, New Haven and Owosso.....	W. G. Roe
Locke, Perry and Fuller.....	W. J. Jackson
Livingston.....	W. E. Hosmer
South Lyon and Silver Lake.....	A. Thomas, supply
Lansing and Williamston.....	C. A. Glass, supply
W. H. Iles, E. Barrett, supernumerary; E. Cook, W. R. Pattison, granted certificate of standing; F. A. Perkins, E. D. Blackman, B. H. Green, left without appointment; J. A. Spencer, S. Johnson, J. W. Currier, superannuated.	

### FLINT DISTRICT.—W. W. HOYT, District Elder.

Flint and Genesee.....	E. Steer
West Flint, Forest and Lennon.....	M. L. Bovee
Holly and Germany.....	H. Voorhess
Farrandville and Flushing.....	James Burdett
Elk, Hazleton and Alba.....	S. Barlett
Davison and Goodrich.....	A. J. Cooper
Lapeer and Goodland.....	Robert Parker, supply
Amy, Washington, Ray, Brandon.....	W. H. Haight, George Phetteplace, junior preacher

Otisville . . . . . C. H. Lee  
 Hadley, Cobb and Bassett . . . . . James Clink  
 E. W. Harding, granted certificate of standing by quarterly conference; E. Crippen,  
 left without appointment; E. D. Hartley, superannuated.

#### PORT HURON DISTRICT.—M. De Voist, District Elder.

Memphis and Richmond . . . . . S. H. Porterfield  
 Marine City Mission . . . . . Charles Bartlett, supply  
 Kimball . . . . . N. A. Davis  
 Yale and Ball . . . . . J. N. Wilson  
 Harbor Beach and Delaware . . . . . Bion Voorhess  
 Uby and Meade . . . . . A. Tice, supply  
 Sanilac Center . . . . . M. E. Howard  
 Snover and Cass River . . . . . E. B. Call, supply  
 Wilmot and Evergreen . . . . . J. McMillen, supply  
 Caro and Akron . . . . . To be supplied  
 Mayville . . . . . A. S. Stambaugh  
 East Vassar . . . . . L. E. Blackman, supply  
 Saginaw mission . . . . . A. E. Warren  
 A. D. Noyes, located according to paragraph 84, page 38, of the Discipline; C. H. Sage,  
 I. Mudge, superannuated; D. D. Marston, evangelist; J. D. Bullock, conference mission-  
 ary; D. C. Embery, left without appointment.

#### BAY CITY DISTRICT.—H. BURSE, District Elder.

Bay City Mission . . . . . R. R. Haight  
 West Bay City . . . . . O. L. King, Lizzie King, supply  
 Cummings and Kawkawlin . . . . . S. Reed  
 Pinconning . . . . . Fred Crandall, supply  
 Gladwin and Beaverton . . . . . William Rumley  
 Porter, Wheeler and Bethany . . . . . A. D. Warren  
 Alpena and Long Lake . . . . . F. J. Calkins  
 Wilson and Rayburn . . . . . G. C. Hungerford, supply  
 Rose City and Bell school house . . . . . William Rennie  
 Campbell's Corners and Edwards . . . . . G. W. Bedell  
 Maple Ridge and Melita . . . . . B. F. Doolittle  
 Sterling and Moore's Junction . . . . . William Mowry, supply  
 Alamando and Hope . . . . . Fred Parks, supply  
 Little Salt and Chippewa . . . . . James Rosa, supply  
 Indian Mission . . . . . William Henry, supply  
 W. T. Sumner, S. S. Crandall, left without appointment; E. W. Smith, given certi-  
 cate of location; W. S. Haight, superannuated.

### CONFERENCE ROLL AND PREACHERS' ADDRESSES

W. W. Hoyt . . . . . 1401 Ann Arbor street, Flint, Michigan  
 M. DeVoist . . . . . 738 Lingle avenue, Owosso, "  
 H. Burse . . . . . Pontiac, "  
 H. Montgomery . . . . . Corunna, "  
 E. Steer . . . . . Flint, "  
 F. J. Calkins . . . . . Alpena, "  
 S. H. Porterfield . . . . . Memphis, "  
 C. H. Sage . . . . . Marine City, "  
 I. Mudge . . . . . Smith's Creek, "  
 M. L. Bovee . . . . . Flint, "  
 W. R. Pattison, . . . . .  
 E. D. Hartley . . . . . Washington, Michigan  
 Edward Cook . . . . . Corunna, "  
 William Rennie . . . . . Rose City, "  
 J. W. Currier . . . . . Spring Arbor, "  
 W. E. Hosmer . . . . . Fowlerville, "  
 S. Reed . . . . . Cummings, "  
 W. J. Jackson . . . . . Williamston, "  
 E. Barrett . . . . . Brant, "  
 S. G. Bartlett . . . . . Elk, "  
 W. H. Haight . . . . . Amy, "  
 J. A. Spencer . . . . . Corunna, "



H. Voorhess	Holly, Michigan
A. J. Stephens	Elsie, "
James Burdett	Clio, "
M. Outhbert	St. Johns, "
E. D. Blackman	
J. D. Bullock	
D. C. Embery	
C. D. Hoadley	Sickels, Michigan
William Rumley	Gladwin, "
J. M. Green	Gaines Station, "
J. N. Wilson	Yale, "
A. J. Cooper	Davison Station, "
W. H. Iles	Linden, "
F. A. Perkins	
W. J. Hallead	Racy, Michigan
B. H. Green	Ovid, "
N. A. Davis	Kimball, "
W. S. Haight	1112 Euclid avenue, West Bay City, "
E. Crippen	Otisville, "
N. M. Cooke	Ithaca, "
W. G. Roe	Owosso, "
O. L. King	301 Spruce street, Bay City, West, "
W. T. Sumner	Porter, "
B. F. Doolittle	Maple Ridge, "
A. S. Stambaugh	Mayville, "
S. S. Crandall	
S. Johnson	Saranac, Michigan
D. D. Marston	Spring Arbor, "
G. Phetteplace	
A. E. Warren	603 North Oakley avenue, Saginaw, W. S., Michiga
Bion Voorhess	Harbor Beach, "

## CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS

Jane Wilson	
Jetura White	
Elizabeth Dexter	

## NAMES OF THOSE EMPLOYED AS SUPPLIES

A. Thomas	South Lyon, Michigan
C. A. Glass	312 West Madison street, Lansing, "
B. Parker	
C. H. Lee	Otisville, Michigan
O. Bartlett	Marine City, "
A. Tice	Uby, "
O. B. Call	Snover, "
J. McMillan	Wickware, "
L. E. Blackman	Vassar, "
Lizzie King	301 Spruce street, West Bay City, "
Fred Crandall	Pinconning, "
O. G. Hungerford	
William Mowery	Sterling, Michigan
Fred Parks	Alamando, "
James Rosa	
William Henry	

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON CHURCH LITERATURE.

A wise man has said, "The pen is mightier than the sword," and truly the course of this world has been shaped more by productions of the pen than by the blood shed by the sword. At the height of his prosperity Napoleon Bonaparte ignored the voice of the press of Europe, and in after years as a prisoner at St. Helena he bemoaned his mistake. This

great force is being utilized by both the church and the world. A corrupt press with its vast stream of unholy, unclean and often obscene productions is a mighty power used by the devil to demoralize and damn souls. A clean, pure press, pouring forth on the world millions of pages of Holy Writ and clear, divine truth on purity and holiness is a mighty lever in God's hands to overturn Satan's domain and turn men to God. We regret that even many so-called holiness papers are so full of nonsense and contain so much error interwoven with truth as to make them absolutely dangerous. Taking such publications is no better than supporting a worldly, compromising preacher; and assisting to spread such literature really makes us compromising preachers.

As the mind is superior to the body, more importance attaches to what we read than to what we eat. Pure literature is essential to purity of character. We, as a church believe in pure and undefiled religion, therefore we need pure, undefiled literature. No church can long retain its distinctive features and uniformity of doctrine and practice unless it has its acknowledged standard publications. We praise God we have such publications and a publishing house, the management of which is in excellent hands. Devotion to the church includes devotion to her every interest. We pledge fidelity to all our publications. Foremost among these is the *Free Methodist*, which still retains its vigor and acceptability. From week to week this gospel trumpet gives no uncertain sound. We regret that this blessed paper is found in so few of our homes. We do not say that people cannot be Free Methodists without taking the church paper but we do say that no one can be an intelligent Free Methodist without taking it. We earnestly urge all our pastors to place, if possible, the *Free Methodist* this year in every home within the bounds of the East Michigan conference. Keep urging the matter. Some object to supporting our church paper on the ground that it is more expensive than other holiness publications. Such persons would never think of supporting another man's wife and family because it would not be so expensive as supporting their own. Nor are they aware that the *Free Methodist* by actual comparison with other holiness papers gives each week more solid reading matter for the same amount of money than any other holiness paper published. Then we have *Missionary Tidings* which keeps us in touch with and interested in missionary work. Our Sunday-school publications edited by W. B. Olmstead are second to none, being pure, inspiring and free from fictitious articles. We also recommend to our people *Olive Branch*, *Spring Arbor Chronicle* and the *Earnest Christian*. We would further urge all our people to purchase through our preachers the books and tracts advertised by our publishing house.

## II.—ON EDUCATION.

Nothing is further from us than to unduly exalt mental training. Neither do we wish to depreciate its value. We trust we properly estimate its worth when we say that it is a very important preparation for filling any position in life. Character is the great requisite; but there are latent powers in every soul that only proper training can bring to light. How often have dull, stupid minds been aroused to activity, and afterwards have astonished the world by their attainments. Adam Clarke was considered a dunce when first sent to school. Had he then been sent to the farm instead of being urged forward the probability is that the world never would have heard of him. None but ignorant men decry education. Sanctified learning has ever been one of the world's greatest blessings and one of the Lord's chief weapons in waging war against entrenched evil. Would God we had more of it! As a people we are slow to awake to the great need of a proper education for our children. It is an awful sin to permit them to grow to manhood and womanhood without a good schooling, and then launch them into the world unequipped for the great struggle.

The secular schools are free in more senses than one. While offering a free mental training they often accompany that with evil influences that are just as free. We must not regard mental equipment as of first importance. A child had better never be sent to school than be ruined morally while obtaining mental training. But is there a possibility of attending to head and heart at the same time? Is there a school where this is done? We look to the free schools—Bible shut out, no prayer, no God. We look to the great denominational schools. They are little better—having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof. But scattered across the land we find a few Free Methodist seminaries and one Free Methodist college. Their patronage is small. They struggle against great odds. At times it seems as if they would collapse. But God comes to the rescue and they still live. Your boy or girl can be sent to Spring Arbor for a comparatively small sum and educated under spiritual influences. No saloon there. No vicious students allowed; the very atmosphere pregnant with devotion and spirituality. Can we do better than to support such schools? Can our young people do better than to patronize them? They need our moral and financial support. Let us resolve to give it.

## III.—ON REFORMS.

The greatest questions among mortals are those which concern the destiny of man upon the earth. We know nothing about any other state than this only by revelation. And if this be true, it only emphasizes what may be said about earthly conditions. We must remember that men and nations are the designers of their own destinies; that environment

is not their master; that they are not governed by fate, by chance or caprice, but that both are free and both are responsible. Those who will compromise with crime; who will not use all their influence against existing evils live in a state of perpetual apology and responsibility for the wickedness of the world.

THE LIQUOR QUESTION is a moral question and consequently has only two sides to it—the right and the wrong. There is no middle ground, no compromising clause. And added to this, there is not a man on earth who can assign a plausible reason why the saloon should be allowed to live, to say nothing about why he should support or countenance it. Human slavery, with its “four millions governed by the lash,” was shocking indeed to civilization, and at sight of it the spot of shame grew red in Freedom’s cheeks. But think of ten million rum-shackled bondmen! Ten million souls in fetters! This too is truly cruelty unspeakable! Outrage infinite! But human speech can never tell what they endure. This being the case, every Christian will no doubt do his utmost to abolish the liquor traffic by lifting a warning voice against the monstrous evil.

SECRET SOCIETIES are a deadly foe to the religion of Jesus Christ wherever they exist (and that is in nearly every city, village and country place). Oath-bound secret societies are rapidly multiplying, enlarging and spreading their pernicious influence among both sexes. They form one of the most formidable obstacles to the spread of the gospel whose founder said, “I have taught in the synagogue and in the temple whither the Jews always resorted; and in secret have I said nothing.” Free Methodists should have the courage to take their position against this deadly foe. But it is sad to know that some never sound an alarm to the ignorant regarding the evil; and the only way they are known to be opposed to secret oath-bound societies is that they belong to the Free Methodist church. While it is not advisable to be continually dwelling upon it as a subject, we should not be like dumb dogs, silent from one year’s end to another, regarding this wicked and debasing evil, which is ensnaring young and old in its meshes and, no doubt, will drag millions to perdition.

ROMANISM.—We regard Rome as the relentless foe of civil and religious liberty. We believe that in principle she changes not, but is the same implacable enemy of righteousness she has been in ages past. No matter how she changes tactics or what color she sails under, she has but one end and one aim, viz., the aggrandizement and supremacy of herself. Her avowals of patriotism and loyalty to our country and its free institutions are only hollow and pretentious. Our heroic and fallen Brother B. T. Roberts truthfully said, “We deserve the name of Protestants only as we continue to protest against this iniquitous and fallen church.”

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.—We quote from the Genesee conference report: The first act of Christ after doing away with the old Jewish Sabbath was to give to the church her Sabbath. In the first place the spirit of the Sabbath should be preached among us as a people. We should observe the day carefully by reading wholesome religious books and papers, and by spiritual conversation and prayer. The duty of attending the means of grace on the Sabbath should be held sacred by all members of the Free Methodist church. Again, we as a people should stand clear upon those complicated Sabbath questions which confront us as a church nearly everywhere.



# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE EAST MICHIGAN CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

## FLINT AND FORT HURON DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missions
FLINT DISTRICT	E. Steer, District Elder															
	W. W. Hoyt...	31	31	1	2	15	60	7	\$ 9.90	\$5.94	\$4.85	\$4.85	\$3.30	.....	.....	.....
	W. L. Bovee...	29	29	1	1	21	83	7	11.70	7.02	3.85	3.85	3.30	.....	.....	.....
	J. M. Green...	27	27	1	1	19	83	6	9.90	4.44	3.85	3.85	3.30	.....	.....	.....
	J. B. Pietsenace...	26	26	1	1	16	33	2	8.90	3.44	3.85	3.85	2.30	.....	.....	.....
	A. C. Bartlett...	23	23	1	1	12	140	2	15.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	7.10	.....	.....	.....
	G. Cooper...	19	19	1	1	10	38	6	15.30	8.38	7.63	7.63	3.10	.....	.....	.....
	W. E. Heald...	18	18	1	1	8	110	8	6.60	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.00	.....	.....	.....
	D. C. Embury...	18	18	1	1	20	110	8	10.50	6.30	5.00	5.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....
	C. H. Les...	16	16	2	2	8	40	4	15.30	9.18	10.00	10.00	5.10	.....	.....	.....
	C. H. Les...	16	16	2	2	8	40	4	15.30	9.18	10.00	10.00	5.10	.....	.....	.....
	W. J. Halstead...	45	47	1	1	7	40	1	12.00	7.20	6.60	6.60	4.40	.....	.....	.....
FORT HURON DISTRICT	M. De Voist, District Elder															
	H. Voorhees...	41	41	1	2	12	56	6	14.70	8.82	7.35	7.35	4.90	.....	.....	.....
	C. H. Sage...	12	15	1	1	9	40	4	3.30	1.98	1.65	1.65	1.70	.....	.....	.....
	V. A. Dicks...	24	25	1	1	9	40	4	6.60	3.90	3.00	3.00	3.50	.....	.....	.....
	J. N. Wilson...	38	45	1	2	19	125	11	10.50	6.30	5.25	5.25	3.50	.....	.....	.....
	J. Bartholomew...	38	51	1	1	6	30	7	12.00	7.26	6.00	6.00	4.30	.....	.....	.....
	William Rennie...	43	49	1	3	23	125	5	14.19	7.74	6.45	6.45	4.80	.....	.....	.....
	Isabel Mudge...	39	59	1	2	8	100	4	12.30	7.38	6.15	6.15	4.10	.....	.....	.....
	D. D. Marston...	44	44	1	1	18	100	10	12.30	7.38	6.15	6.15	4.10	.....	.....	.....
	J. H. McMillan...	44	49	1	1	7	8	8	10.81	8.10	6.75	6.75	4.50	.....	.....	.....
	E. D. Blackman...	12	12	1	1	7	3	7	3.80	2.16	1.80	1.80	1.80	.....	.....	.....
	A. S. Stambaugh...	49	52	2	2	14	65	11	13.30	7.88	6.15	6.15	4.10	.....	.....	.....
	To all	1672	2311	1908	3014	79	486	2446	\$188.68	\$289.30	\$272.15	\$269.79	\$137.45	.....	\$150.32	\$143.78

\* Deceased.



## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE EAST MICHIGAN CONFERENCE—

## CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
BAY CITY DISTRICT					\$ 437 00						
Bay City Mission.....			\$31 90		252 39	\$17 00		1	\$1000	1	\$ 500
West Bay City.....			15 62		335 00	20 00		1	8 00	1	500
Saginaw Mission.....					171 01	20 00					
Fraser and Kawkawlin.....			36 00		452 67	34 00		2	1400	1	500
Gladwin.....			21 00		221 98	27 50		1	8 00		
Alpena and Long Lake.....			20 79		278 27	32 00		1	900	1	600
Wilson and Rayburn.....					375 00	32 00	\$12 00	1	8 00	1	500
Rose City and Bell school house.....	\$ 67		18 00		285 50	33 50		1	1000	1	600
Campbell's Corners and Edwards.....			21 00		242 00	26 28		1	600		
Maple Ridge and Melita.....			26 00		280 00	29 00		2	1200	1	300
Sterling and Moore's Junction.....					150 00	12 00		1	50	1	100
Aamindoo and Hope.....			9 63		150 00	20 00		1	500	1	500
Bethany, Porter, Woehler.....			50 00		416 27	43 00	12 00	4	1550	1	400
Frost Lake (Indian Mission).....					6 00						
ST. JOHNS DISTRICT					420 00						
St. Johns.....			15 90		336 50	36 00		2	4000	1	700
Elsie and Ovid.....			30 32		367 15	65 00	7 27	2	2000	1	1000
Jannister and Ashley.....			6 58		118 39	24 00		1	500		
Ithaca and Sickels.....		47	18 08		218 76	32 00		3	2000	1	500
Oakley, Racy, Fergus, Brant.....	\$1 37	1 60	28 00		321 86	36 00		1	1500	1	450
Gaines and Linden.....			49 00		343 71	55 00	34 00	3	2100	1	600
New Raven, Corunna, Owosso.....			29 25		325 00	50 00		3	3000	1	700
Locke, Perry, Fuller.....			27 00		390 92	72 00		1	1000	1	550
Livingston.....			24 45		343 91	40 00	7 80	1	1000	1	500
Lansing Mission.....			3 55		137 49	6 35					
South Lyon and Silver Lake.....	1 16		6 00		261 97	28 00		2	1500	1	500
FLINT DISTRICT					400 00						
Flint and Genesee.....			25 00		361 50	30 00		2	1800	1	1000
West Flint, Forest, Lennon.....		44	25 00		415 70	46 00		3	3000	1	500
Holly and Germany.....	2 00		14 90		267 40	34 00	2 50	2	1000	1	500
Farrandville and Flushing.....			12 68		256 90	30 00		2	1000	1	300
Maple Grove, Hazelton, Albee.....			45 00		400 00	45 00		2	2200	1	650
Davison and Goodrich.....					420 00	48 00	14 70	2	1800	1	600
Lapeer, Attica, Goodland.....	1 12		5 93		184 42	20 00		1	700		
Amy, Washington, Ray.....			35 00		434 92	40 00		3	3000	1	400
Brandon.....					186 24	22 00		1	800		
Otisville.....	1 03		20 00		295 10	42 00	4 75	1	1200	1	400
Hadley, Cobb, Bassett.....					280 00	30 00	20 00	1	1000	1	500
PORT HURON DISTRICT					378 83						
Memphis and Richmond.....					289 75	46 00	3 00	3	2400	1	500
Marine City Mission.....			48 47		177 43	18 00					
Kinball.....					232 51	24 00		1	500	1	150
Yale and Ball.....	1 12				344 17	40 00		2	1300	1	600
Harbor Beach and Delaware.....			15 00		216 19	35 00		2	2000	1	600
Uby and Meade.....			35 00		365 14	36 00		1	600	1	400
Sanilac Center.....		1 70			297 45	40 00		1	800	1	400
Snover and Cass River.....			30 00		275 00	40 00					
Winnot and Evergreen.....					205 35	22 00					
Caro and Akron.....					80 00	21 15		2	1400	1	250
Mayville.....			20 00		375 80	30 00		1	800	1	500
Total.....	\$7 77	\$7 84	\$823 25		14793 55	\$1530 79	\$118 02 70		\$57000 36		\$18250



# NORTH MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twenty-sixth Annual Session, held at Manton, Michigan,  
September 11-15, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

C. L. LAMBERTSON, Secretary.

F. D. PALMER, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, H. D. F. Gaffin, N. Heald, J. A. Watson,  
A. G. Hartle, C. L. Lambertson.

On Secret Societies—E. Thirkettle, M. C. Eddy, A. F. Williams.

On Education—C. L. Lambertson, L. C. Fletcher, H. Gilroy.

On Temperance—N. Heald, T. V. Gray, P. White.

On Publications—H. D. F. Gaffin, R. E. Raycraft, J. O. Hall.

On Sunday-schools—A. G. Hartle, L. T. Jacokes, C. B. Nobles.

On State of the Work—The district elders.

On Collecting Funds to Publish Minutes—M. C. Eddy.

To Receive General Superintendents' Claim—J. B. Griswold.

To Receive Church Extension and Foreign Mission Funds—D. D. Hall.

To Receive Educational and Children's Funds—O. F. Dafoe.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—J. E. Sanders.

To Receive General Missions Fund—F. K. Baker.

To Receive Home Missions Fund—The district elders.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—J. A. Hudnutt, S. W. Ingalls,  
J. A. Allen.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Claimants and Claims—E. P. Hart, N. Heald, J. A. Watson, C. B. Nobles,  
A. F. Williams.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

H. D. F. Gaffin, president; C. L. Lambertson, secretary and treasurer; J. A.  
Watson, T. V. Gray, W. S. Adkins.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

S. W. Ingalls, president, for one year; C. L. Lambertson, secretary, for three  
years; A. G. Hartle, for two years.

## CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Secret Societies—D. D. Hall.

On Education—J. A. Hudnutt.

On Temperance—O. F. Dafoe.

On Publications—J. E. Sanders.

On Sunday-schools—W. H. Bodine.

On Reforms—S. H. Carpenter.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Conference Claimants; second quarter, General Superintendents;  
third quarter, General Missions and Conference Missions; fourth quarter, Gen-  
eral Conference Delegates' Expenses; Church Extension.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this  
conference?

## PREACHERS

W. R. Cusick,	C. H. Harding,	J. A. Hudnutt,	J. W. Sharpe,
J. L. Hazeldine,	S. H. Carpenter,	J. A. Allen,	B. W. McKibben,
G. W. Carey,	W. B. Huff,	C. L. Lambertson,	W. H. Cole,
S. H. Williams,	E. C. Bigelow,	W. Caywood,	S. M. Kidder,
J. N. Bearss,	E. M. Russell,	T. Baynton,	W. H. Bodine,
E. Snyder,	S. W. Ingalls,	J. A. Watson,	F. O. Wyman,
W. Hoffman,	G. H. Joslin,	C. A. Gallup,	W. H. Switzer,
C. S. Gitchell,	C. H. Prichard,	H. D. F. Gaffin,	J. E. Sanders,
F. D. Kaufman,	M. C. Eddy,	O. F. Dafoe,	G. W. Bedell,
A. A. York,	L. T. Jacokes,	L. H. Hahn,	R. E. Raycraft,
D. D. Hall,	F. K. Baker,	F. D. Palmer,	A. G. Hartle,
N. Heald,	E. Thirkettle,	F. E. Stowell,	W. D. Kingsley,
J. B. Griswold,	D. G. Briggs,	F. A. Smith,	M. Gallup,
G. W. Weidman.			

## DELEGATES

D. K. Bellis,	D. B. Collison,	H. Gilroy,	G. Watson,
W. Johnson,	E. D. Joslin,	A. F. Dempsey,	E. A. Williams,
P. White,	J. O. Hall,	L. Johnston,	G. Liscum,
E. Hollenbeck,	M. Boomer,	W. Randall,	A. F. Williams,
J. Peabody,	J. E. Hoag,	T. V. Gray,	George Beech,
T. J. Dailey,	C. Eldred,	J. McKinzie,	E. D. Kingsbury,
A. V. Nixon,	J. H. Stonehouse,	M. Turner,	C. B. Nobles,
F. Lyon,	W. S. Adkins,	D. Pursley,	H. Terwillager,
J. R. Marston,	J. Michaels,	A. Cryderman,	A. Armitage,
George Gallup,	C. W. Arrand,	Lucy McDonald,	Anna Harper,
Alice B. Caywood,	Lucy Cusick,	Dora Weidman,	Ida Tyrrell,
Sarah E. McKibben,	Sophia Durphy,	Ellen J. Sheler.	

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, H. D. F. Gaffin, N. Heald, J. A. Watson, A. G. Hartle, C. L. Lambertson, C. B. Nobles, A. F. Williams, D. Pursley, D. K. Bellis, J. H. Stonehouse.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? J. A. Philips, J. E. McDonald.

4. Who remain on trial? C. Spencer, F. Hoffman, J. W. Humphreys, L. C. Fletcher.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? M. Gallup, G. W. Weidman.

6. Who are the deacons? M. Gallup, G. W. Weidman, W. D. Kingsley, M. C. Eddy, G. W. Bedell, W. H. Cole, T. Baynton, W. Hoffman, A. A. York, E. C. Bigelow, O. F. Dafoe, F. D. Kaufman, J. B. Griswold.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? R. E. Raycraft, L. H. Hahn.

8. Who have located this year? None.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? F. E. Stowell.

10. Who are the superannuated or wornout preachers? W. R. Cusick, G. W. Carey, C. H. Harding, G. H. Joslin, L. T. Jacokes.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? D. G. Briggs on certificate of standing from the North Indiana conference; F. A. Smith on certificate of location from the Michigan conference.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? J. W. Sharpe, S. M. Kidder, G. W. Bedell.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16-20. See statistics.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? W. R. Cusick, \$150; Hannah Gilpin and two

children, \$65; G. H. Joslin, \$45; L. T. Jacokes, \$40; Orpha Cope, \$35; C. H. Harding, \$35; G. W. Carey, \$25; Margaret McLucas, \$15. Total, \$410.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? The location is left with the district elders; the time as near the middle of August, 1902, as can be arranged with the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The North Michigan conference convened for its twenty-sixth annual session at Manton, Michigan, September 11-15, 1901. Superintendent E. P. Hart presided over the conference with his usual ability, and preached four times besides spending the closing fifteen minutes of each sitting in practical talks to the conference. We felt something as the elders of Ephesus did over St. Paul at Miletus when we were reminded that there was a possibility of the North Michigan, as a body, seeing his face no more.

We had five very harmonious sittings of conference and very encouraging reports were brought in from all over the work. Our conference is manned with four district elders this year.

There were introduced and invited to honorary seats in the conference the following persons: W. B. Olmstead of the Michigan conference; D. G. Briggs of the North Indiana conference; F. A. Smith, formerly of the North Michigan conference; Emma Appling, former missionary to India; L. F. Cilley, pastor of the Baptist church of this city.

W. R. Cusick, being too feeble to be with us, and J. W. Sharpe, laboring, at present in one of the southern conferences, each sent in encouraging words to us. The entertainment of the conference was liberal and the expenses were cheerfully met, there being raised for all purposes about \$145. There were handed in subscriptions for eighty-two copies of the minutes.

Ella Hoag of Cannonsburg was granted an evangelist's license. Two ministers joined the traveling connection and two were received into full connection. Sabbath forenoon G. W. Weidman, E. A. Blodgett, C. G. Miller, L. J. Hazeldine, and D. P. Henry were ordained deacons, each of these being local except the first, and at 2:15 p. m. R. E. Raycraft and L. H. Hahn were ordained elders. The Sabbath afternoon was devoted to a very interesting missionary service led by Sister Appling, and a collection of \$71.50 cash, and some pledges, was taken. The money on the pledges, when paid, is to be sent to Myrtle Francisco, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

## APPOINTMENTS

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.—A. G. HARTLE, District Elder, Saranac, Michigan.

Grand Rapids.....	C. B. Lawton, supply, Coopersville R. R. No. 2, Michigan	
Coopersville and Nunica.....	W. H. Switzer, Coopersville,	"
Fruitport, County Line and Sullivan.....	J. A. Philips, Coopersville,	"
Sparta, Algoma and Tyrone.....	N. Heald, Sparta,	"
Cedar Springs, Cortland and Cannonsburg.....	D. D. Hall, Cedar Springs,	"
Ravenna and Six Corners.....	C. A. Gallup, Ravenna,	"
Bradley and Gregoryville.....	J. B. Griswold, Cora Griswold, supply, Bradley,	"
Coral and Howard City.....	J. W. Humphreys, Coral,	"
Ensley.....	H. W. Weidman, supply, Grove,	"
Stanwood, Brady Lake and Altona.....	S. H. Carpenter, Stanwood,	"
Lakeview and Six Lakes.....	E. Thirkettle, Lakeview,	"

H. D. F. Gaffin, financial agent of Spring Arbor Seminary; W. Caywood and F. D.

Palmer, evangelists; F. K. Baker, left without appointment at his request; W. R. Cusick, G. H. Joslin and L. T. Jacokes, superannuated.

**IONIA DISTRICT.**—J. A. Watson, District Elder, Alma, Michigan.

Lincoln, County Line and Richland.....	E. Burt, supply, Crawford, Michigan	
Clare.....	J. L. Hazeldine, Clare,	"
Alma and Burns.....	O. F. Dafee, Alma,	"
St. Louis.....	L. J. Hazeldine, supply, St. Louis,	"
Elm Hall, Sumner and Sand Ridge.....	T. Baynton, Elm Hall,	"
Stanton and Fenwick.....	F. D. Kaufman, Stanton,	"
Orleans and Belding....	B. W. McKibben, Sarah E. McKibben, supply, Orleans,	"
Saranac and Berlin.....	R. E. Raycraft, Saranac,	"
Morgan, Castleton and Maple Grove.....	L. H. Hahn, Morgan,	"
Sunfield and Shaytown.....	W. H. Bodine, Sunfield,	"
Grand Ledge and Eagle.....	D. G. Briggs, Grand Ledge,	"
Mt. Pleasant Mission.....	J. A. Allen, Clare,	"
F. E. Stowell, supernumerary; G. W. Carey, C. H. Harding, superannuated.		

**BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT.**—S. W. Ingalls, District Elder, Big Rapids, Michigan.

Big Rapids and Barton.....	A. A. York, Big Rapids,	"
Hungerford and River.....	M. C. Eddy, Woodville,	"
Walkerville and Elbridge.....	E. C. Bigelow, Walkerville,	"
Ludington and Summit.....	F. A. Smith, Ludington,	"
Custer and Scottville.....	F. O. Wyman, Custer,	"
Leroy and Rose Lake.....	M. Gallup, Rose Lake,	"
Milton and Bristol.....	J. N. Bearss, Bristol,	"
South Evart and Chippewa.....	O. H. Prichard, Evart,	"
Sears, Fork and Barryton.....	George McGrath, supply, Barryton,	"
Weidman and Deerfield.....	Eunice Stoddard, supply, Weidman,	"
Millbrook and Wyman.....	W. B. Huff, Millbrook,	"
Mecosta and Titus.....	J. Henry, supply, Mecosta,	"

E. M. Russell, W. H. Cole, left without appointment at their request; J. W. Sharpe, S. M. Kidder, given certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

**CADILLAC DISTRICT.**—C. L. LAMBERTSON, District Elder, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

Cadillac and Jennings.....	J. E. McDonald, Cadillac, Michigan	
Cherry Grove, Boone and Harriet.....	W. Hoffman, Axin,	"
Manton, Merrills and Greenwood.....	J. A. Hudnutt, Manton,	"
Lake City, Section 10 Lake, Frys Mill and McBain.....	E. Blodgett, Lake City,	"
Kingsley and Beitner.....	G. W. Weidman, Kingsley,	"
Traverse City Mission.....	To be supplied	
Colfax, Bandola and Sherman.....	D. P. Henry, supply, Meawataka, Michigan	
Lodi and Mancelona.....	S. H. Williams, Lodi,	"
Elmira.....	E. Cryderman, supply, Elmira,	"
South Arm, Central Lake and Advance.....	J. E. Sanders, South Arm,	"

E. Snyder, evangelist; F. Hoffman, left without appointment; G. W. Bedell, given certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

**SAULT STE MARIE DISTRICT.**—C. L. LAMBERTSON, District Elder.

Sault Ste Marie.....	W. D. Kingsley, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan	
Dafter and Brimley.....	J. N. Fuller, supply, Dafter,	"
Hay Lake.....	C. G. Miller, supply, Sault Ste Marie,	"
St. Joseph Island.....	L. C. Fletcher, Carterton, Ontario	
Drummond and De Tour.....	V. M. Danskin, supply, Drummond, Michigan	

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

The current literature of the church and commonwealth is an index of their moral character. Books, magazines and newspapers multiply—both secular and religious—some good, many bad. That which the church sanctions from the press as wholesome is quite generally received by the more serious part of the community as all right. How needful, then, that the church speak clearly and pointedly regarding the reading material of her congregations.

It has been said that "Reading maketh the full man." However, it is quite important what kind of matter our minds are filled with. Much of the reading of today is poison to the mind. We should try to cultivate a taste for the best literature.

We, as a conference, strongly condemn the Sunday newspaper, the weekly or monthly sensational story paper, the cheap, trashy novels of our times, and the sensational songs that are being used so much in our meetings instead of our standard hymns. Among such a multitude of books and other reading matter we should prayerfully choose that which will most benefit mind and soul, and tend to the knowledge and love of God among us.

We recommend a more careful and prayerful study of God's word. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God," and "Search the scriptures," etc. We lament the fact that the Bible is not studied as a text book in our public schools. Let every family see to it that their children receive daily instruction in the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make them wise unto salvation. We would also call the attention of our people to the books put out by our publishing house in Chicago. The books are well bound, an ornament to any library, and are needful and instructive companions in the home as well. The *Free Methodist* ought to be in every Free Methodist family. It deserves the patronage of all our people. Every minister in our conference should rally to its support, and push the canvass for subscriptions on their respective fields of labor. We also recommend the *Earnest Christian* and *Missionary Tidings* to all our people as periodicals that will be inspiring and instructive. We would urge our people to procure our Sabbath-school literature. It is interesting and helpful, and Methodist in doctrine. The church hymn book should be used in all our services—the Sabbath-school and prayer-meeting, as well as in the regular preaching service. It is too often the case that a couple of hymns are announced from the pulpit from the church hymn book at the beginning of the preaching service, and all, or most of the other hymns, are from some other collection. The songs of today are too much like modern revivals—superficial. We, therefore, urge all our people to procure either the standard church hymn book, or the Metrical Tune Book. It has been said, "Give me the making of a nation's songs and her victories are assured." This is as true in the church as it is in the State. Let us not be in haste to discard the old Methodist hymns, by means of which so many souls have found God in the past. Let us remember that what we read, and what we sing, largely moulds our character. Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we will support our publishing interests with our prayers, our influence and our patronage.

### II.—ON SECRET SOCIETIES.

Secret societies are the bane of all civil and religious liberty. They are a system of religion peculiar to themselves, and are anti-Christian from mud-sill to rafter. We trace their God-dishonoring and Christ-ignoring bloody trail back to Eden.

The first secret meeting that we read of is where the devil secretly drew Eve away from Adam, and from God, and then got Adam to join, then formed the two into a compact to work against God and all that is pure. We believe that all the crime that caused the wreck and ruin on either bank of the stream of time was hatched out of that spawn which was brought forth in that first secret society ever organized. When Adam and Eve were initiated into the first lodge on earth, the devil sat as worshipful master, and this we believe was just after the devil was cast over the battlements of heaven, and he has been the great head of all the lodge system from then to now, from the highest order in Free Masonry,

down to the lowest order of Anarchism. Dr. Talmage describes the last named order in plain terms. He says, "He owns nothing but a knife, for universal blood-letting, and nitroglycerin bomb for universal explosion; he believes in no God, no government, no heaven, no hell except what he can make on earth." He slew the Czar of Russia, keeps the Emperor of Germany practically imprisoned, killed Abraham Lincoln, James A. Garfield and William McKinley, and if he had the power would climb up until he could drive the God of heaven from his throne.

In France it is called Communism, in the United States it is called Anarchism, in Russia it is called Nihilism. The last is the most graphically descriptive term. It means complete smash-up, and under the Mosaic law, it was high treason and punishable by death to entice anyone to join such a compact. At Babel they tried to climb up to heaven, which made them thieves and robbers. The old spawn was there yet. Just after the building of the temple, it was claimed, some one killed the widow's son, but we fail to find who the widow was or the son either.

Ezekiel, eighth chapter, makes it the most graphic: "As he digged in the wall, and went in and saw them with their backs turned on God," and he declared that "they had filled the land with violence," and this gigantic evil is increasing and no doubt will increase, until the "woman on the Tiber" that John saw "sitting on the scarlet colored beast," will be joined in marriage to the great evil, called secret societies. Then will be the gathering together of Gog and Magog, when the great battle of Armageddon will be fought. Then will the great God sweep the whole host out of the way with the besom of destruction.

Then there will be no more packing juries to clear the murderer, no more prisons for the innocent, no more "one shoe off and one shoe on" with "cable toe about their necks" to go through a lot of mummery, to sell themselves to Satan, to be the dupes of principalities and powers, with spiritual wickedness in high places.

We believe the time is near at hand when this great evil shall stand before God, naked, to hear its awful doom because of its sin against God and every honest man.



## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NORTH MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

GRAND RAPIDS, IONIA AND SAULT STE. MARIE DISTRICTS

CHURCH	PREACHER										Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT																												
A. G. Hartle, District Elder																												
Grand Rapids	38	11	49	1	1	1	10	40	9	\$ 8 70	\$ 5 22	\$ 4 35	\$4 35	\$2 90														
Coopersville and Nunica	40	4	44	2	1	1	8	55	7	12 30	7 38	6 15	6 15	4 10														
Fruitport, County Line, Sullivan	22	1	23	2	1	2	15	60	7	7 20	4 76	3 80	3 80	2 40														
J. B. Griswold, C. Griswold, sup	25	5	30	2	2	2	16	80	9	9 60	5 76	4 80	4 80	3 20														
Sparta, Tyrone, Casnovia	14	1	15	1	1	1	8	30	11	3 60	2 12	2 10	2 10	1 40														
W. Hoffman	37	9	46	1	1	1	8	30	11	7 50	4 50	3 75	3 75	2 50														
C. A. Gallup	39	4	43	2	2	2	10	60	5	11 55	6 30	5 25	5 25	3 50														
Ravenna and Six Corners	65	1	67	2	2	2	18	60	10	17 70	10 62	8 85	7 37	3 50														
Bradley and Gregoryville	44	12	56	3	3	3	17	50	7	10 20	6 12	5 10	5 10	3 40														
Cedar Springs and Cortland	22	1	23	1	1	1	7	35	3	4 41	2 88	2 70	2 70	1 60														
Corral and Howard City	64	2	66	1	2	2	10	75	4	11 76	13 72	6 30	6 30	1 00														
E. Snyder	48	1	49	1	2	2	10	50	5	12 00	5 32	7 50	6 00															
Eunice Stoddard, supply																												
M. C. Eddy																												
Stanwood, Brady Lake, Altona																												
Lakeview and Six Lakes																												
IONIA DISTRICT																												
J. A. Watson, District Elder																												
Lincoln and County Line	48	4	52	1	3	3	14	69	11	15 00	9 36	7 05	7 05															
Clare	23	1	24	1	2	2	6	25	5	7 80	4 20	3 90	3 90															
Alma, Perrinton, Burns	35	1	36	1	1	1	14	60	7	12 90	7 74	6 45	6 45	4 30														
St. Louis	10	6	16	1	3	3	5	22	2																			
Elm Hall, Sumner, Ritchland	43	2	45	1	1	1	21	75	4	12 30	7 38	6 30	6 30	2 18														
Stanton and Fenwick	38	2	40	3	3	3	14	75	5	10 80	6 48	5 40	5 40	3 60														
Orleans and Belding	30	1	31	1	1	1	11	50	10	10 80	6 48	5 40	5 40	3 60														
R. E. McKibben, S. McK., sup	39	10	49	1	1	2	12	50	14	9 90	5 94	4 95	4 95	3 30														
Saranac and Berlin	39	10	49	1	1	2	12	50	14	9 90	5 94	4 95	4 95	3 30														
Morgan, Castleton, Maple Grove	62	8	70	1	1	1	35	129	12	17 40	10 44	8 70	8 70	5 80														
L. H. Hahn	52	8	60	2	2	2	29	104	14	17 40	10 44	8 70	8 70	5 80														
Sunfield and Shaytown	64	2	66	1	1	1	20	85			18 30	10 98	8 00	6 00														
J. L. Hazeldine																												
Grand Ledge and Eagle																												
SAULT STE. MARIE DISTRICT																												
C. L. Lambertson, Dist. Elder																												
Sault Ste. Marie	40	8	48	1	1	1	7	45	7	9 00	5 40	4 50	4 50	3 00														
Daffer and Brimley	11	3	14	1	1	1	6	20	2	1 80	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 00														
Hay Lake	19	12	31	1	1	1	6	40	4	8 70	5 22	2 70	2 70	1 80														
St. Joseph Island	31	10	41	1	2	2	6	40	2	3 30	1 98	1 63	1 63	2 90														
H. Weidman, supply	11	5	16	1	1	1								1 00														

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NORTH MICHIGAN CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

## BIG RAPIDS AND CADILLAC DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claims	Parents' Fund	General Superintendents' Claims	Conference Missions Claims	General Missions Claims	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claims	Woman's Foreign Missions
BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT																		
N. Heald, District Elder																		
Big Rapids and Barton	A. A. York	28	4	32	1	3	18	90	6	\$ 7 80		\$ 4 68	\$ 4 20	\$ 4 20	\$ 2 60			
Hungerford and River	S. H. Carpenter	33	3	36	1	2	10	70	4	9 90		5 97	5 10	4 95	3 30			
Stetson and Elbridge	C. H. Prichard	35	15	50	1	1	9	45	4	3 50		2 26	1 95	1 95	1 30			
Ludington and Summit	F. K. Baker	29	5	34	1	1	9	50	5	7 60		3 75		3 50	2 40			
Scottville and Custer	F. O. Wyman	64	6	70	3	2	10	65	8	18 90		11 34	9 45	9 45	6 30			
Leroy and Rose Lake	F. D. Kaufman	28	8	36	1	1	5	35	4	9 00		5 00	4 50	4 50	3 00			
Milton and Bristol	G. W. Weidman	42	6	48	1	2	16	120	5	12 30		7 38	6 15	6 15	4 10			
Evart and Chippewa	E. C. Bigelow	42	5	47	1	1	12	60	4	7 00		5 00	4 50	4 50	1 50			
Sears, Forks, Barryton	W. H. Switzer, J. Henry, supply	20	20	40	1	1	1	30	3	4 00		2 88	2 25	1 69				
Weidman and Deerfield	J. V. Fullerton, supply	28	4	32	2	1	5	30	3	7 25		3 95	3 30	3 30	2 20			
Milbrook and Wyman	W. B. Huff	14	16	30	1	1	4	30	1	3 00		1 50	1 50	1 50	1 00			
Titus and Mecosta	J. Henry, supply																	
H. D. F. Gaffin, District Elder																		
CADILLAC DISTRICT																		
Cadillac	J. A. Hudnutt	23	23	46	1	1	8	45	4	5 10		3 24	2 73	2 73	1 80		\$ 5 00	\$ 7 75
Cherry Grove, Boone and Colfax	W. Caywood	34	2	36	1	2	20	70	6	9 00		5 85	4 50	4 50	3 00			80
Manton and Carpenter	G. W. Bedell	50	1	51	1	1	10	40	5	12 42		8 46	7 05	5 40	1 76			
Merrells Lake City, Section 10, etc.	D. Henry, supply	31	7	38	2	3	12	60	4	6 60		3 60	3 00	3 00	2 00		6 25	
Traverse City and Kingsley	E. M. Russell	29	5	34	1	2	10	40	3	7 50		3 75	3 75	3 75	1 98			
Greenwood, Bandola, Sherman	J. N. Beards	15	15	30	1	1	5	20	2	4 84		4 43	3 75	3 10	3 10			
Lodi	S. H. Williams	31	31	62	1	2	13	50	8	9 60		5 76	4 80	4 80	3 20		2 30	
Mancelona and Elmira	C. Miller, supply	12	11	23	1	1	10	30	2	2 10		1 35	1 05	1 05	70		1 50	
Central Lake, Clam Lake, So. Arm, etc	E. Burt, supply	19	2	21	1	1	1	1	6	6 00		3 60	3 45	3 00	1 27			
Total		1638	210	1848	86	14	77	504	2404	\$ 413 04		\$ 272 03	\$ 214 89	\$ 214 45	\$ 113 69		\$ 49 71	\$ 16 65

# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NORTH MICHIGAN CONFERENCE— CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT											
Grand Rapids			\$22 00		180 00	\$24 00		1	\$1200		
Coopersville and Nunica			28 52		304 08	48 00	\$ 3 78	2	2000	1	\$ 500
Fruitport, County Line, Sullivan			10 00		40 07	32 00		1	1200	1	25
Sparta, Tyrone, Casnovia			33 01		273 35	36 00		2	1800	1	800
Cannonsburg, Plainfield, Algoma					126 00	23 05		1	400		
Ravenna and Six Corners			20 29		423 22	38 00		1	1000	1	200
Bradley and Gregoryville			12 00		241 50	32 00		2	1000	1	250
Cedar Springs and Cortland			30 20		272 18	40 00		2	1700	2	800
Coral and Howard City			8 76	\$1 70	302 97	36 00		1	600	1	150
Ensley			6 97		103 69	19 20		1	500		
Stanwood, Brady Lake, Altona					227 75	36 00	3 00	3	1000	1	50
Lakeview and Six Lakes			10 00		338 94	32 00		2	600	1	500
IONIA DISTRICT											
Lincoln and County Line			21 23		239 12	36 00		3	1800	1	600
Clare					207 28	22 00		1	1100	1	500
Alma, Perrinton, Burns		\$1 15	23 00		309 41	34 00		1	1000	1	800
St. Louis					105 00	16 00		1	500		
Elm Hall, Sumner, Richland		1 93	22 43		270 41	28 00		2	700	1	200
Stanton and Fenwick			15 00		225 00	28 00		4	2200	1	500
Orleans and Belding	\$2 43	3 72	31 03		329 42	38 23		1	1000	1	600
Saranac and Berlin	1 80	2 16	13 00		351 74	39 05		2	2000	1	400
Morgan, Castleton, Maple Grove			42 92		483 60	48 00		4	3000	1	300
Sunfield and Shaytown		54	52 60		402 00	52 00		2	2700	1	900
Grand Ledge and Eagle					450 75	52 00	10 50	4	3800	1	1000
SAULT STE. MARIE DISTRICT											
Sault Ste. Marie			36 80		527 61	40 48		1	2400	1	900
Dafter and Brimley			7 00		130 66	22 72		1	600	1	300
Hay Lake					300 40	19 00					
St. Joseph Island			11 71		233 74	22 66	2 45	1	900		
Drummond and De Tour					196 14	12 56	2 55				
BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT											
Big Rapids and Barton			15 77		301 68	32 00		1	300	1	300
Hungerford and River			19 13		293 31	34 00		1	800	1	300
Stetson and Elbridge		1 25	9 35		255 20	22 00		1	800	1	200
Ludington and Summit			39 62		313 00	29 00		1	1200		
Scottville and Custer			41 70		292 98	38 00		1	1200	1	500
Leroy and Rose Lake			14 55		200 00	27 00		1	400	1	200
Milton and Bristol								1			
Evart and Chippewa	25				250 00	38 00		1	500	1	100
Sears, Fork and Barryton			12 27		200 00	24 00	2 00	2	500	1	250
Weidman and Deerfield					141 50	24 00		2	900	1	250
Milbrook and Wyman			5 74		201 04	22 00		2	700		
Titus and Mecosta			5 15		120 00	16 00					
CADILLAC DISTRICT											
Cadillac	1 83		18 00		308 94	20 00		1	1600	1	600
Cherry Grove, Boone, Colfax	25	88	25 31		213 98	40 00		2	1200	1	200
Manton and Carpenter	50		22 00		320 00	44 00		1	1200	1	800
Merrills, Lake City, Section 10, etc			24 00	50	283 00	34 00					
Traverse City and Kingsley			13 40		200 00	28 00		1	200	1	100
Greenwood, Bandola, Sherman			7 00		35 00	28 00		1	400		
Lodi			14 72		231 45	34 50		1	500	1	100
Mancelona and Elmira	25	50	10 00		197 25	19 00	16 35	1	750		
Central Lake, Clam Lake, etc.					147 29	38 00		1	100	1	400
Total	\$5 48	\$13 96	\$756 18	\$2 20	13827 92	\$1498 45	\$40 63 69		\$49950 36	\$14575	

# KANSAS CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Thirty-second Annual Session, held at Solomon, Kansas, August 21-25, 1901

## OFFICERS

WALTER A. SELLEW, President.

I. N. WATSON, Secretary.

W. W. STEWART, Assistant Secretary.

G. I. WINANS, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—Walter A. Sellew, S. F. Wilson, Fred Scott, G. I. Winans  
I. N. Watson.

On State of the Work—Fred Scott, S. F. Wilson.

On Education—M. F. Childs, James Green, G. G. Pritchard.

On Reforms—F. H. Church, W. Scott, J. T. Merry.

On Publications—A. S. Barnes, D. B. Williams, Fred Scott.

On Sabbath-schools—J. W. Norris, F. V. Ingersol, S. R. Sayre.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—J. W. Norris, W. M. Adams,  
T. J. Williams, I. G. McMillan, I. D. Pembleton, M. F. Childs.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—M. D. Whitney.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Ministerial Relation and Efficiency—Fred Scott, S. R. Sayre, W. M. Adams  
J. T. Merry, F. H. Church.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

Fred Scott, president; I. N. Watson, secretary and treasurer; J. T. Merry, M. L. Wilkinson, F. V. Ingersol.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

S. F. Wilson, one year; F. H. Church, two years; I. N. Watson, three years.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, Home and General Missions; second quarter, General Superintendents'; third quarter, Conference Claimants'; fourth quarter, Church Extension, Foreign Missions, and General Conference Delegates' Expenses.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

C. H. Lovejoy,  
W. M. Adams,  
Walter Scott,  
Ollie Price Dexter,  
D. B. Williams,  
James Green,  
S. R. Sayre,  
L. J. Brick,  
E. W. Howard,

S. V. Green,  
I. N. Watson,  
G. G. Pritchard,  
W. E. Huff,  
A. Wright,  
A. Neil,  
G. M. Cameron,  
J. G. Bignall,  
F. A. Root,

D. M. Poor,  
G. W. Saunders,  
S. F. Wilson,  
M. F. Childs,  
F. H. Church,  
J. W. Norris,  
M. Campbell,  
A. Ford,

M. L. Wilkinson,  
Fred Scott,  
I. D. Pembleton,  
Luke Scripser,  
G. I. Winans,  
Otto Zimmerman,  
J. W. Buckner,  
J. L. Phillippi,

### DELEGATES

Rose Rector,  
I. G. McMillan,  
H. S. Dye,  
Ardilla Lindley,  
M. M. Kibler,  
William Buchanan,  
A. S. Barnes,  
Nellie Winans,  
A. Demoret,

J. H. Modrell,  
O. M. Howard,  
J. Showalter,  
C. A. McCoy,  
C. W. Hawkins,  
P. J. Bentley,  
S. R. Sayre,  
Mamie Root,

Jennie Dixon,  
F. V. Ingersol,  
M. D. Whitney,  
J. T. Merry,  
Martha Swick,  
J. J. Lundy,  
M. M. Root,  
Mary Hubbard,

M. E. Harris,  
W. W. Stewart,  
J. B. Walrafen,  
M. Wolfersperger,  
T. J. Williams,  
R. Redway,  
B. C. Smith,  
Gertrude Warner,

2. Who are the stationing committee? Walter A. Sellew, S. F. Wilson, Fred Scott, G. I. Winans, I. N. Watson, W. W. Stewart, F. V. Ingersol, A. S. Barnes, M. D. Whitney.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? G. R. Guy, J. B. Walrafen, William Buchanan, C. Fike, C. S. Marsolf, H. S. Dye.

4. Who remain on trial? E. A. Sayre, W. B. Curtis, L. M. Tinker, A. Seibert, W. S. Place, J. O. Eckel.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? J. G. Bignall, A. Ford, F. A. Root, J. L. Phillippi, E. W. Howard.

6. Who are the deacons? G. M. Cameron, L. J. Brock, M. Campbell, W. B. Curtis, E. W. Howard, \*J. G. Bignall, \*A. Ford, \*J. L. Phillippi, \*F. A. Root.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? Abner Elam, (local).

8. Who have located this year? D. B. Williams, A. Wright.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? Ollie Price Dexter, W. B. Curtis.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? C. H. Lovejoy, S. V. Green, M. L. Wilkinson, G. W. Saunders.

11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? J. W. Buckner, from the Missouri conference; Otto Zimmerman, from the West Kansas conference.

12, 13. None.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? J. H. Robbins.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical report.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? For Martha Robbins and children, \$75.00; for Mary E. Fear, \$10.00.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? At Arkansas City, Kansas, as near September 1, 1902, as is consistent with the plans of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The conference session was held at Solomon, Kansas, in the Baptist church. The religious services were held in the M. E. church and were characterized by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in saving and sanctifying earnest, seeking, believing souls. Five sittings were held. General Superintendent Sellew presided with skill and wisdom.

The visiting brethren were B. Winget, missionary secretary; J. W. Thomas, financial agent of Orleans Seminary, and C. W. Long from the West Kansas conference. Rev. Winget gave a very interesting address on our missionary work Sunday afternoon. Memorial services were conducted by Rev. M. F. Childs Saturday afternoon in memory of J. H. Robbins.

The officers of the W. F. M. S. are as follows: President, Mrs. Emma Green, Arkansas City; first vice president, Mrs. Clara Childs; second vice president, Georgia Merry; corresponding secretary, Ardilla Lindley, Aral; treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie L. Church, 1045 North Mead, Wichita; recording secretary, Mrs. Bertha Neil. They decided to have a circulating library of missionary books, and twelve books were contributed for that purpose.

Over \$200 was raised for various purposes during this session of conference.

\*Ordained this year.

## APPOINTMENTS

**CLAY CENTER DISTRICT.**—I. N. WATSON, District Elder, Eudora, R. R. 1,  
Kansas.

Clay Center.....	J. L. Phillippi, Clay Center, Kansas
Oak Hill, Green Ridge and Wide Range.....	Otto Zimmerman, Oak Hill, "
Solomon and Cox S. H.....	W. E. Huff, Solomon, "
Minneapolis and Ada.....	J. W. Norris, Minneapolis, "
Concord Center and Bennington.....	M. F. Childs, Roscoe Ford, supply, Pennington, "
Chapel Hill, Gypsum and Dry Creek.....	Christian Fike, Gypsum, "
Junction City.....	L. M. Tinker, Junction City, "

**BLUE VALLEY DISTRICT.**—I. N. WATSON, District Elder.

Washington, Spring Valley and Hawkeye.....	W. M. Adams, Washington, Kansas
Alma and Manhattan.....	A. Neil, Alma, "
Barrett, Antioch, Irish Creek and Walker S. H.....	F. A. Root, Barrett, "

W. B. Curtis, supernumerary, Adams Basin, New York.

**FORT SCOTT DISTRICT.**—G. I. WINANS, District Elder, Girard, Kansas.

Girard and Yale.....	J. W. Buckner, Girard, Kansas
Scammon, Pittsburg and Weir City.....	To be supplied
Montana, Altamont and Liberty.....	C. S. Marsoff, Altamont, Kansas
Iola.....	J. T. Merry, Iola, "
Bronson, Mapleton and Walnut Hill.....	P. J. Bentley, supply, Bronson, "

L. J. Brock, M. Campbell, left without appointment; S. V. Green, superannuated, Altamont, Kansas; Ollie Price Dexter, supernumerary; A. Wright, located at his own request.

**EMPORIA DISTRICT.**—FRED SCOTT, District Elder, 911 North Fifth street,  
Arkansas City, Kansas.

Emporia.....	Walter Scott, 8 South State street, Emporia, Kansas
Badger Creek.....	G. G. Pritchard, Reading, R. R. 2, "
Neosho Rapids.....	To be supplied
Eureka and Utopia.....	Ida D. Shires, supply, Eureka, Kansas
Burlington and Ottumwa.....	J. O. Eckel, Burlington, "

George W. Saunders, superannuated, Marcelline, Missouri.

**WICHITA DISTRICT.**—FRED SCOTT, District Elder.

Wichita Mission.....	Lizzie L. Church, supply
Wichita circuit.....	F. M. Church, 1045 North Mead, Wichita, Kansas
Arkansas City.....	James Green, 604 North Fifth street, Arkansas City, "
Caldwell and Argonia.....	J. T. Bivins, Caldwell, "
Grenola and Latham.....	W. J. Ward, supply, Latham, "
Greenwich and Rose Hill.....	J. G. Bignall, Aral, "

D. M. Poor, superannuated, Arkansas City, Kansas; G. M. Cameron, left without appointment, Enid, Oklahoma territory.

**MARION DISTRICT.**—FRED SCOTT, District Elder.

Marion and Clark S. H.....	I. D. Pemberton, Marion, Kansas
Newton, Walton and Cedar Creek.....	S. R. Sayre, Wansevu, "
Matfield Green and Wansevu.....	L. Scriptor, Matfield Green, "
McPherson, Galva and Marquette.....	H. S. Dye, McPherson, "

**LAWRENCE DISTRICT.**—S. F. WILSON, District Elder, 1211 Kansas avenue,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Lawrence.....	Fannie T. Martin, supply, Lawrence, Kansas
Kansas City Mission.....	E. W. Howard, 342 Minn. avenue, Kansas City, "
Kansas City circuit.....	To be supplied
Leavenworth Mission.....	O. M. Howard, supply, 415 South Fifth street, Leavenworth, Kansas
Brown County.....	To be supplied
Topeka and Meriden.....	E. A. Sayre, 726 Lake street, Topeka, Kansas

**OTTAWA DISTRICT.**—S. F. WILSON, District Elder.

Ottawa, Richmond and Greeley.....	A. Seibert, Ottawa, Kansas
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Agricola and Glenwood.....W. S. Place, Agricola, Kansas  
 Vassar, Quenemo and Adams S. H.....J. B. Walrafen, Quenemo, "  
 Lyon S. H., Fairview and Michigan Valley.....A. Ford, Michigan Valley, "  
 Harmony and Old Union.....G. R. Guy, Baldwin, R. R. 1, "  
 Scranton and Osage City.....William Buchanan, Osage City, "  
 C. H. Lovejoy, superannuated, Baldwin, Kansas; M. L. Wilkinson, superannuated,  
 Lacygne, Kansas.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON MEMOIRS.

We learn with deep sorrow of the death of our beloved Brother J. H. Robbins, who died at Solomon, Kansas, July 24, 1901. Brother Robbins was admitted on trial in the West Kansas conference in 1889, and was taken into full connection October 1, 1891. He united with the Kansas conference by transfer in August, 1894, at Marion, Kansas. In the few years following he was assigned to and traveled several circuits, on each of which he did faithful work. He was an able and acceptable preacher. He lived and preached a radical type of holiness. We shall all miss him. We pray the Lord to support the bereaved family by his grace in this heavy affliction they are called upon to bear. As a mark of love and respect we suggest that a short memorial service be held on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, in charge of Brother M. F. Childs, the service to consist of singing, prayer, reading a portion of scripture and a short address.

### II.—ON EDUCATION,

The salvation of our children is of the greatest importance, and parents should feel great responsibility in placing their children, while learning a trade or gaining an education, where they will not be hindered in their soul's interests. The worldly influence in our public schools and in many so-called religious schools, is so great that few of our children and young people seemingly can keep a clear conscience and attend them. Therefore, we need our own schools where the soul's interest is looked after as much as the mind's, for mental development without spiritual development makes a man more knowing but not more holy thus giving him more power to resist God instead of submitting to him. We see the great need of our children being taught the knowledge of God as well as books. We pray that all our schools may keep this high standard in view and always look after the spiritual interests of their students and hold up a high moral standard and a radical Christianity. The standard must be held high here or it will soon fall everywhere.

We desire and pray that all our Free Methodist educational institutions may prosper and be used of God in the advancement of his kingdom on earth. We bid them all a hearty Godspeed on this line.

In view of the fact that our conference is properly within the patronizing territory of the Orleans Seminary, also, that this, the youngest of our denominational schools, is worthy of our support and at this particular time needs our assistance to make it of the greatest possible service to the church and world, we would recommend this school to the notice and patronage of our people and urge them to support this school whenever they can. We are pleased to learn of the success that has attended it thus far and its prospects for future prosperity. We believe it has already been a blessing to the church and the world, and we trust it may continue to increase in influence and usefulness. We would urge our young people to adopt B. T. Roberts' "three rules" for their lives, viz.: "I will attend to my soul's interests first, my bodily health second, and the development of my mind third."

### III.—ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Whereas a proper conception of the teachings of the Holy Scriptures forms the foundation of a true religious experience, therefore, in the economy of the working church there should be found a place where each one may be made acquainted with the sacred word. Beginning with the child when first its mind becomes susceptible to impressions of divine truth and continuing throughout all the stages of mental, moral and spiritual development there should be a well-defined and systematic course of Bible study followed, in order to rightly understand God's will concerning us. As under the Mosaic dispensation ample provision was made for instruction in the requirements of God's law, so in this age there is great need of provision being made for gaining a thorough knowledge of Biblical truth. The Sabbath-school occupies this important field of Christian work, it being the Christian church engaged in studying and teaching the Holy Scriptures. Now, that the Sabbath-school may more fully accomplish this great work, there should be provision made for the proper equipment of the officers and teachers. Among the best helps we notice the Sabbath-school association and institute work. While there are various Sabbath-school associations in operation around us, yet, they fail to meet the demands of our work,

being largely under the control of persons who have no clear understanding of the great plan of salvation from all sin through Jesus Christ. Therefore, we deem it best to form associations of our own in harmony with our convictions of righteousness. We are happy to note that during the year several of the districts have formed Sabbath-school associations, adopting the Constitution sent out by the publishing house. We entertain an earnest hope that in the coming year the remaining districts will fall in line and form associations in order that there may be a uniform course of association and institute work throughout the conference.

### STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
<b>CLAY CENTER DISTRICT</b>											
Clay Center.....			\$13 73		\$114 19	\$35 00		1	\$1000	1	\$400
Oakhill, Wide Range, Greenridge.....	\$9 83		29 55		175 00	35 00					
Solomon, Abilene, Old Stone.....			13 19		229 50	41 41		1	300	1	400
Minneapolis and Ada.....			46		137 57	30 00	\$10 00	1	650		
Concord Center and Bennington.....	\$3 75	3 36	21 50		302 32	54 15		1	800		
Chapel Hill and Dry Creek.....					208 75	30 47				1	250
Junction City.....		40	9 04		170 82	25 25		1	400		
<b>BLUE VALLEY DISTRICT</b>											
Washington, Spring Valley, etc.....					128 36	25 00	10 00	1	800		
Alma and Manhattan.....			11 00	\$1 00	298 63	32 69	2 35			1	700
Barrett, Antioch, Walker S. H.....					236 00	51 42	20 00			1	300
<b>FORT SCOTT DISTRICT</b>											
Girard and Weir City.....			15 00		214 84	24 01	11 25	2	500		
Montana and Altamont.....						21 05					
Iola and Colony.....			12 00	9 60	90 40	57 23	12 20				
Bronson and Mapleton.....	50	50	2 25		134 00	14 92	1 50			1	300
Scammon.....						18 00					
<b>EMPORIA DISTRICT</b>											
Emporia.....			36 95		317 61	55 00	30 00	1	1000	1	500
Badger Creek.....					135 48	34 00	26 80			1	500
Neosho Rapids.....					58 57	6 24		1	800	1	200
Eureka and Utopia.....			15 57		97 14	13 16					
Burlington and Ottumwa.....											
<b>ARKANSAS CITY DISTRICT</b>											
Arkansas City.....	1 96		27 35		237 57	48 00	26 60	1	1000	1	600
Caldwell and Argonia.....			8 80	25	138 00	22 86	9 20	1	500	1	450
Wichita Mission.....			16 00	1 75	208 85		2 00	1	1800	1	700
Grenola and Latham.....				30	52 40	10 65	1 40				
Greenwich and Rose Hill.....					131 84	22 04					
<b>MARION DISTRICT</b>											
Marion, Clark and Williams S. H's.....			27 40		226 23	44 00	10 56	1	1500	1	400
Matfield Green and Wonevu.....					155 32	31 44				1	600
McPherson and Galva.....					215 00			1	150	1	200
Newton and Walton.....	41		7 20		87 00	19 67					
Cedar Creek.....			2 70		13 39	5 75	1 35				
<b>LAWRENCE DISTRICT</b>											
Lawrence.....			7 50	75	171 08	16 75		1	600		
Harmony and Old Union.....	3 80		18 12		246 55	71 10	5 00	1	1000	1	300
Topeka.....	1 40		26 65		250 00	36 10	14 50	1	1315	1	300
Meriden.....					59 52	19 96					
Kansas City Mission.....	58		16 41	42 00	221 84	40 00	30 00				
Lyon S. H., Vassar, Spring Hill.....				50	170 40	45 86	35 04				
Richmond and Princeton.....	1 31		13 60		134 28	29 81	5 26				
Ottawa and Greeley.....			2 71		108 00	20 00	15 00			1	200
Agricola and Glenwood.....	50		14 50	10	285 63	40 65	20 20	1	500	1	400
Lawrenceworth.....			6 10	2 00	130 05	9 75					
Total.....	\$4 25	\$24 05	\$375 28	\$58 25	\$6292 13	\$1138 39	\$300 21	19	\$14615	19	\$7700



## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

ARKANSAS CITY, MARION AND LAWRENCE DISTRICTS

CHARGE	FREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
ARKANSAS CITY DISTRICT																		
Fred Scott, District Elder																		
Arkansas City.....	M. L. Wilkinson.....	29	3	32	2	1	1	10	40	12	\$ 5.44	\$7.20	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$1.05	.....	.....	\$ 8.00
Coldwell and Argonia.....	Howard Dye.....	6	1	7	7	2	1	5	25	3	2.10	.....	1.25	1.05	.....	.....	.....	10.50
Wichita Mission.....	F. H. Church.....	15	3	18	2	1	5	35	35	3	3.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.00	.....	5.00	9.00
Grenola and Latham.....	Ida Shires.....	12	2	14	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	2.40	1.44	1.20	1.20	80	.....	1.40	.....
Greenwich and Rose Hill.....	J. G. Bignall.....	12	1	13	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.97	3.67	4.50	2.50	2.00	.....	.....	.....
MARION DISTRICT																		
Fred Scott, District Elder																		
Marion, Clark and Williams S. H.'s.....	I. D. Penbleton.....	23	2	25	1	.....	2	16	47	9	9.90	5.40	4.75	4.50	3.00	.....	.....	.....
Matfield Green, Woneve, Coin Valley.....	L. Scripser.....	13	2	15	1	.....	.....	5	440	5	4.40	1.95	1.65	1.35	.....	.....	.....	.....
McPherson and Galva.....	C. S. Marsolf.....	17	3	20	2	.....	1	5	15	4	2.10	1.25	1.05	1.05	40	.....	.....	.....
Newton and Walton.....	J. T. Bivins.....	10	.....	10	1	1	4	14	1	1	1.32	72	60	60	30	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Creek.....	Wm. Buchanan.....	8	1	9	.....	1	1	4	14	1	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
LAWRENCE DISTRICT																		
S. F. Wilson, District Elder																		
Lawrence.....	F. A. Root.....	10	1	11	11	.....	1	4	20	3	3.20	1.80	1.50	1.50	1.00	.....	.....	10.00
Harmony and Old Union.....	G. R. Guy.....	38	6	44	1	2	10	60	10	10	10.20	6.12	5.10	5.10	3.40	.....	3.10	11.46
Topeka.....	W. M. Adams.....	25	1	26	1	.....	8	53	4	6	6.00	3.60	4.80	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....
Meriden.....	J. B. Walrafen.....	13	5	18	5	.....	.....	65	28	2	2.8	72	3.35	60	60	.....	80	2.50
Kansas City Mission.....	E. W. Howard.....	13	14	27	2	2	1	9	65	5	25	2.70	2.35	25	1.50	.....	.....	.....
Lyon S. H., Vassar, Spring Hill.....	W. S. Place.....	25	25	50	2	2	15	72	6	8	8.20	4.50	2.70	2.50	2.50	.....	.....	.....
Richmond and Princeton.....	Alex. Siebert.....	16	2	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	2.48	1.25	1.05	1.05	70	.....	.....	.....
Ottawa and Greeley.....	Asa Ford.....	13	.....	13	1	1	6	20	4	3	3.90	2.34	1.95	1.95	1.05	.....	1.00	.....
Agricola and Glenwood.....	Walter Scott.....	30	30	60	1	1	9	25	6	9	9.00	5.40	1.20	2.00	3.00	.....	2.50	12.68
Leavenworth.....	O. M. Howard.....	10	6	16	1	1	5	23	3	3	1.20	72	1.40	60	40	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		788	74	860	30	20	36	224	1069	212	\$200.83	\$118.47	\$104.21	\$95.63	\$80.05	.....	\$25.71	\$157.22

# NORTH MINNESOTA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Fifteenth Annual Session, held at South Haven, Minnesota,  
September 25-28, 1901

## OFFICERS

B. R. JONES, President.

H. T. KROUSEY, Secretary.

J. E. MCKINDLEY, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—B. R. Jones, F. P. Woodward, F. Stokes.

On Publications—W. Barham, Neal Trolson.

On State of the Work—F. P. Woodward, Charles Knapp.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Appoint Examiners for 1902—

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—S. Waite, W. Barham, M. A. Soper.

On Reforms—A. M. Keniston, N. Welter.

To Collect Funds for Publishing the Minutes—J. G. Norris.

On Education—S. Waite, C. J. Street.

To Receive Funds for General and Foreign Missions—Charles Mitchell.

On Home Missions—The stationing committee.

To Receive Home Missions Fund—F. P. Woodward.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—W. Barham.

To Receive Conference Claimants' Fund—A. O. Austin.

To Receive Church Extension Fund—F. Stokes.

To Nominate Board of Church Extension and Aid Society—S. Waite, Neal Trolson, J. G. Norris, M. A. Soper, Charles Knapp.

On Sunday-schools—A. C. Ammundsen, Mary Norris.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

F. P. Woodward, W. Barham, S. Waite.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

J. G. Norris, M. A. Soper, S. Waite, N. Trolson.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

F. P. Woodward,  
S. Waite,  
Fred Stokes,

W. Barham,  
Charles Mitchell,  
A. C. Ammundsen.

A. M. Keniston,  
M. A. Soper,

J. G. Norris,  
N. Welter,

### DELEGATES

Neal Trolson,  
Charles Knapp.

H. T. Krousey,  
Mary Norris,

J. E. McKindley,  
Mrs. C. J. Street,

O. A. Austin,  
Mrs. F. J. Bartlett.

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. R. Jones, F. P. Woodward, Neal Trolson.

3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, None.

6. Who are the deacons? Charles Mitchell, N. Welter, M. A. Soper, F. Stokes, A. C. Ammundsen.

11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? A. C. Ammundsen, from the Missouri conference.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

16-23. See statistical report.

24. See appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Motley, Minnesota, the last week in September, 1902.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The fifteenth annual session of the conference was held at South Haven, Minnesota, September 25-28, 1901, General Superintendent B. R. Jones presiding. F. P. Woodward was elected to serve the conference as traveling district elder for next year. On motion W. Barham was made conference evangelist.

On Saturday afternoon the W. F. M. S. held their annual meeting for the election of officers. Sunday services: Love-feast at 9:00 a. m.; preaching at 10:30 a. m., by Superintendent B. R. Jones. A collection of \$440.00 in cash and subscriptions was taken to pay the indebtedness on church and parsonage, and the church was dedicated.

The Wessington Springs Seminary was represented by S. Waite. At 3:30 preaching by Charles Mitchell. In the evening there was preaching by Superintendent B. R. Jones. Harmony prevailed throughout the entire conference, and God honored his people with his presence. The conference collections were ordered to be taken in the same order as last year.

The conference recommended that an appropriation be given the district elder of \$4.00 a month next year.

## APPOINTMENTS

### BURTRUM DISTRICT.—F. P. WOODWARD, District Elder,

Burtrum and Long Prairie.....	M. A. Soper
Alexandria and Hudson.....	A. C. Ammundsen
Gordon and Spruce Hill.....	S. Waite
Holdingford and Brockway.....	A. M. Kenniston
South Haven and Main Prairie.....	F. Stokes

### MOTLEY DISTRICT.—F. P. WOODWARD, District Elder.

Motley, Thomastown and Philbrook.....	N. Welter
Wrightstown and Sebeka.....	L. Bartlett, supply
Osage, Park Rapids and Frazee.....	Charles Mitchell
Huff and Green Prairie.....	J. G. Norris
Fort Ripley and Brainerd.....	J. J. Compton
Hartford and Moran.....	H. T. Krousey, supply
Fertile.....	To be supplied



## BURTRUM AND MOTLEY DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
BURTUM DISTRICT	F. P. Woodward, Dist. Elder	34	5	39	1	4	20	119	3	\$10 66	\$5 76	\$4 33	\$4 80	\$3 20			
Burtum and Long Prairie	W. Barham	38	5	43	1	1	5	50	8	9 00	6 00	1 00	6 00	2 75		\$1 50	\$26 43
Alexandria and Hudson	S. Waite	24	1	25	1	1	6	31	3	2 14	4 18	1 78	1 78	1 77			
Gordon and Spruce Hill	H. T. Krousey	17	1	18			1	4	20	2	3 85	2 59	1 45	1 45			
Holdingford and Brockway	A. M. Keniston	18	3	21	1	1	6	30	5	5 94	3 69	2 70	3 15	1 80			
South Haven and Main Prairie	F. Stokes																
MOTLEY DISTRICT	F. P. Woodward, Dist. Elder	55	5	60	1	2	12	60	26	14 19	7 74	4 30	6 45	4 30		1 45	38 78
Motley and Thomastown	M. A. Soper	18	1	19		1	5	35	6	6 27	3 64	2 85	3 07	1 90			
Wrightstown and Verndale	N. Welter																
Sebaka and Menahga	Supplied	15	1	16					5	3 85	2 20	1 10	1 98	1 65			
Osage and Park Rapids	Charles Mitchell	30	14	44		1	5		3	1 98	4 59	90	4 50	60			
Huff and Green Prairie	J. G. Norris	14	14	2		1	4	25	1		1 80	1 50	2 00	70			
Fort Ripley and Brainerd	D. C. Newell																
Walthwood and Lone Lake	Supplied	24	10	34		1	6	10	5	6 90	4 14	3 45	3 45	2 30			
Moran and Hartford	A. Allguire																
Duluth	Supplied																
Fertile	Supplied																
Total		287	46	333	7	114	93	380	61	\$64 08	\$46 38	\$26 50	\$38 63	\$22 43		\$2 95	\$60 21

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NORTH MINNESOTA CONFERENCE

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CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
BURTRUM DISTRICT											
Burtrum and Long Prairie.....			\$19 20	....	\$170 17	\$24 00	\$ 9 18	2	\$ 700		....
Alexandria and Hudson .....	\$1 50	\$1 80	18 11	....	305 00	34 00	....	2	2000	1	\$800
Gordon and Spruce Hill .....		1 48	18 20	....	72 48	24 00	....	2	800	1	300
Holdingford and Brockway.....	15	50	7 00	....	95 00	13 53	....				
South Haven and Main Prairie....			6 98	....	302 55	24 00	....	1	1000	1	500
MOTLEY DISTRICT											
Motley and Thomastown.....		1 75	24 00	....	300 00	29 26	17 00	1	900	1	400
Wrightstown and Verndale.....			7 78	....	248 06	24 00	14 50	1	150	1	500
Sebeka and Menahga.....			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Osage and Park Rapids.....			....	....	168 00	25 00	....	....	....	1	125
Huff and Green Prairie.....			....	....	150 95	21 48	7 25	1	200	....	....
Fort Ripley and Brainerd.....			....	....	158 00	21 98	....	....	....	....	....
Wealthwood and Lone Lake.....			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Moran and Hartford.....			5 00	....	95 00	....	....	....	....	....	....
Duluth.....			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Fertile.....			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total.....	\$1 65	\$5 53	\$106 27		\$2065 21	\$241 25	\$47 93	10	\$5750	6	\$2625

# OIL CITY CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Third Annual Session, held at Youngsville, Pennsylvania,  
September 25-28, 1901

## OFFICERS

G. W. COLEMAN, President.

MENDAL B. MILLER, Secretary.

J. S. McGEARY, Assistant Secretary.

H. D. TODD, Statistical Secretary.

J. E. BERKHEIMER, Treasurer.

E. BLEWS, Assistant Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—G. W. Coleman, M. B. Miller, T. J. Stone, O. S. Winslow.

On Publishing the Minutes—M. B. Miller, J. S. McGeary.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—A. J. Hill.

On Conference Missions—The stationing committee.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—J. K. Odell, J. N. Bennett, F. B. Schreiner.

On Sabbath-schools—T. W. Murray, Mrs. Jennie Slagle, Mrs. Anna Cornelius.

On Reforms—E. Blews, J. F. Thompson, John Shafer.

On Publications—R. McGarvey, E. S. Spotts, William Bailey.

On Education—H. D. Call, C. E. Weaver, John Fenner.

On Memoirs—W. B. Roupe, J. J. Zahniser, Isaac Hawks.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

J. M. Critchlow, president, time expires 1902; H. D. Todd, secretary, time expires 1903; E. Blews, time expires 1906; W. B. Roupe, time expires 1905; M. B. Miller, time expires 1904.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

A. T. Sager, president; C. R. Slade, secretary; J. E. Berkheimer, treasurer; A. Smith, H. S. Cotton.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

M. B. Miller, W. B. Roupe, J. E. Berkheimer, J. K. Dale, J. C. Bowman.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions and Church Extension; second quarter, Superintendents' Claim and Expenses of Delegates to General Conference; third quarter, Superannuated Claim; fourth quarter, Conference Missions.

## CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

State of the Work—M. B. Miller.

Education—J. S. McGeary.

Publications—W. B. Roupe.

Reforms—E. Blews.

Sabbath-schools—T. W. Murray.

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## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

## PREACHERS

W. B. Roupe,	S. Sager,	D. B. Tobey,	M. B. Miller,
A. M. Bean,	C. O. Copeland,	F. E. Glass,	A. Falkner,
A. T. Sager,	J. S. McGeary,	J. E. Berkheimer,	J. M. Critchlow,
J. J. Zahniser,	H. D. Todd,	A. Smith,	R. M. Whitcomb,
T. W. Murray,	C. H. Glass,	T. H. Goodrich,	C. E. Weaver,
E. Blews,	L. A. Sager,	J. N. Eager,	T. J. Stone,
E. L. Kiffer,	C. H. Reed,	A. J. Hill,	R. H. Williams,
R. McGarvey,	J. N. Bennett,	R. A. Robertson,	H. H. Bradley,
H. C. Ingersoll,	C. H. Miller,	J. K. Odell,	J. J. Ginader,
T. S. Simpson,	W. T. Underwood,	S. O. Yelvington,	J. P. Brodhead,
F. E. Pond,			

## DELEGATES

William Bailey,	H. D. Call,	C. A. Carlson,	J. F. Thompson,
John Fenner,	A. M. Hunter,	Charles Cowan,	Mrs. Jennie Slagle,
Mrs. M. A. Parker,	William Lewis,	H. S. Catton,	F. W. Perkins,
John Shafer,	E. S. Spotts,	Mrs. Ellen Hughes,	Miss M. E. Book,
E. E. Carbaugh,	H. S. Pond,	Isaac Hawks,	Mrs. P. M. Hager,
George Fobes,	Mrs. Annie Cornelius,	F. B. Schreiner,	Guy Hilliard,
C. R. Slade,	J. N. Sanford,	S. Fox,	O. S. Winslow,
Silas Smock,	J. K. Dale,	John Myers,	T. W. Parks,
F. A. King,	Mrs. Florence Skinner,	Mrs. E. J. Twitchel,	Mrs. A. T. Ebarman,
Mrs. E. D. Cutler,	C. A. Cron,	B. F. Barrett,	A. Bundy,
V. Vanquist,			

2. Who are the stationing committee? G. W. Coleman, W. B. Roupe, S. Sager, A. M. Bean, M. B. Miller, C. R. Slade, O. S. Winslow, Charles Cowan, W. Lewis.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? G. A. Garrett.

4. Who remain on trial? G. S. Bryan, P. B. Wright, J. K. Mumau, G. W. Kiffer, J. F. Collins, William Barkus, M. E. Walcott, F. W. McClelland.

6. Who are the deacons? T. H. Goodrich, L. A. Sager, E. L. Kiffer, T. J. Stone, R. H. Williams, F. W. McClelland, W. T. Underwood, R. A. Robertson, H. C. Ingersoll, H. H. Bradley, S. O. Yelvington, C. H. Miller, J. K. Odell, J. J. Ginader, T. S. Simpson, \*F. E. Pond.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? J. N. Eager, A. J. Hill.

8, 9. None.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? A. Falkner.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? J. P. Brodhead, an elder from the Pittsburg conference.

12, 13. None.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical report.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? Mrs. S. M. Crill, \$36; Mrs. H. D. W. Showers, \$51.

23. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied? See statistical report.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At DuBois, Pa., as near the third Wednesday of September, 1902, as is convenient to the plan of the general superintendents.

\*Ordained this year.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The third annual session was held in the Swedish Lutheran church, Youngsville, Warren county, Pennsylvania, September 25-28, 1901. Five sittings were held—one each on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and two on Saturday.

The following ministers were introduced to the conference and invited to honorary seats: B. J. Vincent, of the North Indiana conference; J. S. Bradbrook and G. D. Mark, of the Genesee conference; J. P. Burns, of the Methodist Episcopal church, and G. C. Buck and — Ingersoll, of the Wesleyan Methodist connection.

The reports of district elders and preachers showed the work to be in a most encouraging condition, God having graciously helped in every way. Not only did the reports show that numerically there had been an increase, but the acquisition of church and parsonage property had been considerable and all conference claims were more than met, leaving a good surplus in the treasury.

The presence of the Holy Spirit characterized both business sittings and religious services in an unusual manner. Conference convened each morning at 8:15 and thirty minutes were spent in prayer. Surely, all could exclaim with the royal singer of Israel, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Sabbath afternoon the W. F. M. S. held their public service, which was largely attended and rich in blessing. After a collection of about \$50 the treasurer reported over \$1550 raised the past year.

The Sabbath evening meeting will, no doubt, be remembered for years as "the great night" of the Youngsville conference for depth of religious fervor, hilarious giving and soul-saving. Amid a remarkable outpouring of the Spirit over \$490 was given, in cash and pledges, to the Orphanage and Home at Gerry, New York.

As we parted near the hour of midnight it was with the determination to be at our best for God, and make the ensuing year fruitful to the glory of the Master. The consensus of opinion was, "a remarkable conference."

## APPOINTMENTS

**BRADFORD DISTRICT**—W. B. ROUPE, District Elder, 75 Bennett street, Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Bradford .....	J. J. Zahniser, Bradford, Pennsylvania	
Tuna Creek and Bolivar Run .....	R. A. Robertson, Tuna Creek,	"
Lewis Run, Custer City and Marshburg .....	J. W. Rodgers, supply, Lewis Run,	"
Galeton .....	F. E. Pond, Galeton,	"
Port Allegany and Portage Creek .....	A. M. H. Zahniser, supply, Port Allegany,	"
Ormsby and Simpson .....	J. F. Collins, Ormsby,	"
Eldred and West Eldred .....	G. A. Garrett, Eldred,	"
Rixford and Duke Center .....	Emma Ellison, supply, Duke Center,	"
Ulysses and Elmer .....	W. T. Underwood, Ulysses,	"
Coudersport and Borie .....	H. C. Ingersoll, Coudersport,	"
Emporium .....	F. W. McClelland, Emporium,	"
John Wesley church and Highland .....	J. J. Ginader, Rolfe,	"
Ridgway .....	E. Blews, Ridgway,	"

F. E. Glass, evangelist, Tuna Creek, Pennsylvania; C. H. Glass, left without appointment at his own request, Tuna Creek, Pennsylvania.

**OIL CITY DISTRICT**—MENDAL B. MILLER, District Elder, 403 East Third street, Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Oil City, Siverly, Salem and Hogue Hill .....	
.....	C. H. Reed, Pine street, Oil City, H. D. Call, supply, Franklin, Pennsylvania

Franklin and Reed.....  
 A. T. Sager, Chestnut street, Franklin; W. H. McClimans, supply, Franklin, Pennsylvania  
 Tionesta, Newmansville and German Hill.....R. McGarvey, Tionesta, "  
 Kellettsville, Mayburg and Garfield.....J. N. Eager, Mayburg, "  
 Walnut Bend and Weavers.....A. C. Dow, supply, Nickleville, "  
 Pleasantville, Enterprise, Pithole and Stewart's Run.....  
 .....R. M. Whitcomb, Pleasantville, Pennsylvania  
 Youngsville, Davey Hill and Sugar Grove.....  
 .....R. A. Zahniser, supply, Youngsville, Pennsylvania; one to be supplied  
 Titusville and Jamison.....T. S. Simpson, Titusville, Pennsylvania  
 Rouseville, Kaneville, Plumer and Hamilton.....  
 .....T. J. Stone, Rouseville; J. K. Dale, supply, Franklin, Pennsylvania  
 Barnes, Clarendon and Glade Run.....  
 .....C. E. Weaver, Barnes; J. E. Berkheimer, Weldbank, Pennsylvania  
 Gusher and Foxburg.....C. E. Fralick, supply  
 J. P. Brodhead, missionary to Africa, Umzumbi, Natal, South Africa; D. B. Tobey,  
 evangelist, 1321 Buffalo street, Franklin, Pennsylvania; C. H. Miller, left without ap-  
 pointment at his own request.

CLARION DISTRICT—A. M. BEAN, District Elder, Brockwayville, Pennsylvania.  
 Kane and Johnsonburg.....R. H. Williams, Kane, Pennsylvania  
 Marionville and Byrontown.....A. S. Stambaugh, supply, Marionville, "  
 Tylersburg, Bowmansville and Guitonville.....W. J. Barkus, Tylersburg, "  
 Strattonville, Shirey and Greenville.....C. W. Mowry, supply, Strattonville, "  
 Kahleton, Pleasant Grove and Fisher.....R. Leight, supply, Sigel, "  
 Hallton, Duhring and Portland Mills.....E. E. Carbaugh, supply

#### DU BOIS DISTRICT—A. M. BEAN, District Elder.

Dubois, Sabula and Lindsey..T. W. Murray, Dubois, John Roberts, Dubois, Pennsylvania  
 Penfield, Mt. Pleasant and Clearfield.....  
 .....A. Smith, Penfield, Jennie Whitehouse, supply, Penfield, Pennsylvania  
 Brockwayville, Mountain and Toby.....  
 .....P. B. Wright, Brockwayville; O. S. Winslow, supply, Brockwayville, Pennsylvania  
 Brookville, Reynoldsville and Falls Creek.....E. W. Harding, supply  
 Philipsburg and Gearhartville.....G. S. Bryan, Philipsburg, Pennsylvania  
 Fleming, Tyrone and Dix's Run.....  
 .....J. K. Mumau, Fleming; M. A. Walcott, Fleming, Pennsylvania  
 S. Sager, evangelist, Ridgway, Pennsylvania; L. A. Sager, evangelist; G. W. Kiffer,  
 left without appointment to attend school, Spring Arbor, Michigan.

MEADVILLE DISTRICT—J. S. McGEARY, District Elder, Sharon, Pennsylvania.  
 Meadville and Fairfield.....J. N. Bennett, Meadville, Pennsylvania  
 Mill Village, Stantcliff, Edinboro and Blooming Valley.....  
 .....H. D. Todd, Edinboro, Pennsylvania  
 Erie and Girard.....Kate Baldwin, May Simons, supplies  
 Corry and Spring Creek.....Minnie M. Smith, supply, Corry, Pennsylvania  
 Centerville, Daytown, Gilson Ridge and Diamond..W. J. Kerry, Centerville, "  
 C. O. Copeland, left with appointment at his own request, Centerville, Pennsylvania;  
 T. H. Goodrich, left without appointment at his own request, Blooming Valley, Pennsylv-  
 ania.

#### NEW CASTLE DISTRICT—J. S. McGEARY, District Elder.

New Castle.....J. M. Critchlow, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania  
 Coaltown and Croton.....N. F. Fox, May Fox, supplies, New Castle, "  
 Mercer and Prospect.....J. K. Odell, Mercer, "



## OIL CITY CONFERENCE

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Sharon and South Sharon .....	A. J. Hill, Sharon, Pennsylvania
Sharpsville, Bethel and Charleston .....	S. O. Yelvington, Wheeler, "
Bruin, Petrolia and Parker .....	F. J. Barber, supply, Bruin, "
Ellwood City .....	E. L. Kiffer, Ellwood City, "
Grove City .....	To be supplied
A. Falkner, superannuated without claim, New South Lyme, Ohio.	

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## LOCAL PREACHERS

W. A. Quick .....	Neshannock, Pennsylvania
P. W. Frye .....	Sharpsville, "
Charles Cowan .....	37 Meek avenue, Sharon, "
F. B. Schriner .....	New Castle, "
A. G. Crill .....	New Castle, "
Frank Young .....	New Castle, "
William Richards .....	Mayburg, "
Samuel Lee .....	Penfield, "
William Gearhart .....	Gearhartville, "
G. J. Kelley .....	Philipsburg, "
Otto Krantz .....	Youngsville, "
A. L. Vaneps .....	Pittsfield, "
Ira Williams .....	Mill Village, "
G. P. Lindsay .....	Franklin, "
W. H. McClimans .....	Franklin, "
H. D. Call .....	Franklin, "
H. C. Barnes .....	Barnes, "
H. O. Ellithorpe .....	Carle, "
George W. Gifford .....	Duhring, "
Erastus L. Monroe .....	Ulysses, "
Isaac B. Hawks .....	Ulysses, "
Watson E. Smith .....	Ridgway, "
Galen Pond .....	Ridgway, "
W. J. Hughes .....	Emporium, "
Sidney Scott .....	Mount Tabor, Oregon
F. L. Clark .....	Raymond, Pennsylvania
John Fenner .....	Coudersport, "
F. W. Parks .....	Big Shanty, "
F. W. Perkins .....	Eldred, "
Silas Smock .....	Reidsburg, "
J. C. Bowman .....	Tionesta, "
Charles Cowan .....	Meek avenue, Sharon, "
C. H. Higbee .....	Spring Arbor, Michigan
O. S. Winslow .....	Brockwayville, Pennsylvania
W. S. Smith .....	112 East Pleasant street, Corry, "

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## EVANGELISTS

Della Williams .....	Oil City, Pennsylvania
Margaret Parker .....	Oil City, "
Cora Emery .....	Oil City, "
Clara Goodwin .....	Oil City, "
Merrill Jacobs .....	Seneca, "
Jennie Whitehouse .....	Tyler, "

Violetta Dalrymple.....	Houghton, New York
Ethel Cook.....	Randolph street, Meadville, Pennsylvania
Annie Custard.....	Kennedy street, Meadville, "
Harriet E. Glass.....	462 North street, Meadville, "
Minnie M. Smith.....	Corry Mission, Corry, "
J. M. Jenkins.....	Spartansburg, "
Mary B. Simons.....	Franklin, "
Eva Young.....	North Chili, New York
Minnie A. Wolcott.....	Fleming, Pennsylvania
Dora G. W. Spotts.....	Fleming, "
Gertrude Grimm.....	Spring Arbor, Michigan
H. C. McClelland .....	Emporium, Pennsylvania
May Shaffner.....	Lewis Run, "
Victoria Cannon.....	Lewis Run, "
Alma L. Miller.....	Tionesta, "

## CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS

Mrs. Victoria Reed.....	Oil City, Pennsylvania
Mrs. Josie McCurdy.....	Oil City, "
Mrs. Jennie Tobey.....	Franklin, "
Mrs. Florence A. Sager.....	1123 Chestnut street, Franklin, "
Miss Kate Baldwin.....	Erie, Pennsylvania
Miss Mary J. Everhart.....	214 West Monroe street, Chicago, Illinois
Mrs. H. C. McClellan.....	Emporium, Pennsylvania
Mrs. C. H. Glass.....	Tuna Creek, "
Joseph K. Dale.....	Franklin, "

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$232.05.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Assessed and paid, \$154.70.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$278.46.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$464.10.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$232.05.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$17.35.

CHILDREN'S FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$13.82.

### II.—ON MEMOIRS.

Mrs. Lydia Bortz Underwood was born in Jefferson township, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, March 10, 1862, and passed triumphantly home to glory, June 10, 1901. At the age of about 18 years she was clearly converted to God under the labors of Rev. J. Barnhart, in a meeting at Charleston, Pennsylvania. Shortly after her conversion she sought and obtained the experience of entire sanctification and ever bore testimony to God's saving, sanctifying, and keeping power.

Feeling an intense desire to see others come into the same enjoyment and escape the wrath of God, which she saw continually hanging over them, she consecrated her life to be spent in rescuing the lost of earth, in which calling she met with considerable success. She held an evangelist's license and served as pastor on two or three different charges. She worked considerable in revivals. She was in every sense a thorough Christian and an efficient worker in the vineyard of the Master, but was peculiarly adapted to Sabbath-school

work and frequently had charge of the children's meetings in our general gatherings. She was never trifling but always cheerful, greeting all with a smile which made one feel at home in her presence. She was united in marriage with Rev. W. T. Underwood, April 20, 1899, and stood shoulder to shoulder with him in the work until God said, "It is enough, come up higher." Her husband has lost a faithful wife and helpmeet; the church a worthy member and an efficient worker. Yet we feel like saying in the language of another, "It is God's will, let him do as seemeth him good."

### III.—ON REFORMS.

**THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.**—Determinedly and unequivocally we continue to maintain our position against this "barbarity of the ages—the licensed rum traffic." We cannot do less than this without being recreant to country, conscience and God. This vampire in our midst which is gnawing at the vitals of our national life, must be destroyed. A famous Roman statesman once declared before the Roman Senate, "Rome must destroy Carthage or Carthage will destroy Rome." And to save Rome, Carthage was destroyed. So we may say of this accursed traffic, except we destroy the saloon, the saloon will destroy us. Every loyal American citizen, irrespective of party or creed, has just returned clad in the weeds of mourning from the tomb of the murdered president, and as we performed the last sad rites, and turned away from that mausoleum, we, as a nation, swore eternal enmity to anarchy, and have set ourselves to exterminate the principle that made such a dastardly act a possibility. And this is as it should be. But where is anarchy born and fostered? Where the birthplace of this hydra-headed demon? We answer the saloon. But say you, Did not Europe generate it? Well, doubtless we did import its germs from the old world. But do we not possess in our free America, soil wonderfully congenial to their life and growth?

An eminent writer has said, "The saloon not only feeds and breeds, instigates and abets the anarchy that found its expression in the detested crime at Buffalo, but it is itself an anarchy that plants at the very foundations of our national liberties and our national greatness, destruction a thousand times more deadly than that which flaunts the red flag that civilization recognizes as a menace.

We may guard our Presidents and other public officials with cordons of police and files of soldiers, we may change our statutes and revise our constitution so as to throttle the anarchist from across the seas, but we shall have left untouched the really great peril that menaces the nation if we leave saloonism to go on with its work of debauching the nation's manhood, poisoning its conscience, and murdering its moral strength."

When we consider that three-fourths of the men engaged in this nefarious business are foreigners, and nine-tenths of them criminals, it is enough to make the blood tingle in our veins to think we should barter away our precious liberties to such an unclean, slimy, viperous brood. Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Oil City conference of the Free Methodist church is diametrically opposed to this unholy business, and further that we will not affiliate with, or support any political party that advocates the license policy.

**TOBACCO.**—We, as in the past, stand opposed to the use of this filthy, costly and dangerous weed, and insist that our adherents "Touch not, taste not, handle not the unclean thing."

**WORLDLINESS.**—*Resolved*, That this is no time to let down or compromise with this insidious foe to spiritual life. We should steer clear of this dangerous rock upon which so many have foundered and been lost. Therefore, let us hold to the line of non-conformity to the world, so fearlessly and strenuously insisted upon by the founders of our beloved Zion and imperatively insist upon separation from the world along all lines, and thus prove worthy of our profession as an anti-worldly church.

**SECRET SOCIETIES.**—*Resolved*, That we still put ourselves on record as having no affinity for or sympathy with the unfruitful works of darkness.

And while we cherish no ill will against the members of these fraternities yet we stand opposed to the principles upon which these institutions rest, and demand that as "evil

communications corrupt good manners" our people continue to remain separate and free to follow the Lord in all things.

ROMANISM.—*Resolved*, That while this backslidden and apostate church makes a specious show of virtue, and professes loyalty to our nation's flag, yet we believe her to be directly antagonistic to our free institutions, the sworn foe to our civil government and loyal only to that wily old dictator who sits upon the throne in the city of the seven hills. Every true devotee of this church is a Catholic first, whatever he may be afterward.

Therefore, as custodians of the liberties entrusted to us by our fathers, let us be on our guard against this implacable enemy of righteousness.

SABBATH DESECRATION.—We deplore the fact that the Sabbath is so wickedly desecrated in our land. Our government itself is on record as a Sabbath-breaker. Witness its Pan-American Exposition with its gates wide open on the Lord's day, the rumbling of the wheels of its mail trains throughout the land, thus keeping at work an army of employes.

Thus, our government sets the pace to be followed by the railroad corporations, street car lines, newspapers, milk wagons, barber shops, etc.

The secular press of the land has taken its position with the Sabbath desecrators, and when speaking of Sunday laws contemptuously refers to them as "blue laws," or Puritan laws, thus seeking to minimize such laws in the eyes of the people, and make their infraction a matter of little moment.

Again, the same ungodly herd that flaunts the red flag of anarchy and the black flag of the rum fiend, viz., the "Personal Liberty" class from Europe, who have come to us with their continental Sunday ideas, clamor for the liberty to trample under foot God's holy day, and to a large extent they are enjoying such liberty, the American public bowing to their base behests, and joining hands with them in these iniquitous violations of righteous law.

Therefore, we wish to be understood as being openly antagonistic to any movement looking toward the sweeping away of this grand bulwark of Christian civilization, and declare ourselves to be in hearty sympathy with any movement the object of which is to keep holy the Sabbath day.

## BRADFORD, CLARION AND DUBOIS DISTRICTS

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## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE OIL CITY CONFERENCE—

## CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No. of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
BRADFORD DISTRICT											
Bradford.....			\$41 60		\$500 00	\$ 96 63	\$15 65	1	\$2200	1	\$1500
Coudersport and Seven Bridges.....	\$1 50		34 40		360 00	49 86	37 30	2	2100	1	1200
Eldred, W. Eldred, Rixford, etc.....			35 00		518 50	102 98	69 61	2	2830	2	400
Emporium.....		40	18 77		362 68	60 54	12 32	1	1500	1	700
Galeton.....		75	31 00		235 84	41 80	24 78	1	1400		
John Wesley Church, etc.....		50	23 81		282 83	52 23		1	1000		
Lewis Run and Marshburg.....	\$1 25		23 00		385 31	50 13	9 75	1	800	1	400
Port Allegany and Portage Creek.....			19 00		170 18	29 68		1	1500		
Ridgway.....			25 97		400 00	65 00	16 20	1	2000		
Smithport and Ormsby.....										1	100
Tuna Creek and Lanerton.....			38 00		390 89	60 50	23 36	2	2000	1	1000
Ulysses, Keech, Oswayo, Elmer.....			22 91		345 26	74 42		1	1200	1	1200
CLARION AND DUBOIS DISTRICT											
Brockwayville.....			26 00		182 71	41 88	23 00	2	2600		
Brookville and Falls Creek.....					156 35	23 56	10 81	1	1500		
Dubois, Sabula, Lindsay.....	2 10		12 58		312 00	41 25		1	1800		
Fleming.....			13 40		315 00	67 53	15 00	1	700		
Hallton and Duhring.....			30 01		175 73	63 27	10 71	2	1300		
Kanawha and Pleasant Grove.....					152 84	20 06		1	1100		
Kane and Highland.....			19 01		246 49	51 23	23 74	1	1500		
Marionville.....			10 52		73 00	26 05		1	1000		
Penfield.....	1 75	3 00	31 40	\$ 40	360 00	61 00	30 09	1	1400	1	500
Phillipsburg, Clearfield, Tyrone.....	66	66	23 01	2 00	200 00	60 00	26 00	1	600		
Tylersburg and Bowmansville.....	1 50	1 50	35 06		403 00	60 19		2	1400	1	300
Strattonville.....			5 00		150 00	25 64		2	1200		
MEADVILLE DISTRICT											
Corry.....			5 52		172 22	26 25	4 00				
Meadville and Fairfield.....	1 00	1 03	16 43		318 00	55 00		1	1000		
Mill Village and Blooming Valley.....			10 00		391 70	46 45		1	1200		
Centerville and Diamond.....			17 01		104 00	38 38		2	2000		
Erie and Girard.....					186 00						
Spring Creek.....					11 83	17 59					
NEWCASTLE DISTRICT											
Bruin.....			17 18		250 70	42 60	8 00	1	1200	1	250
Coaltown.....			30 15		315 00	66 12		1	1000		
Ellwood.....		25	23 34		205 00	42 83		1	1400	1	500
Grove City.....			27 17		26 12	36 65					
Mercer.....	1 19		21 37		200 15	51 45	2 00	2	2800	1	
Newcastle.....			97 38		500 00	101 00		1	4000		
Sharon.....			22 00		231 12	59 85	5 25	1	800		
Sharpsville and Bethel.....			35 87		259 34	48 88	4 00	2	2200		
OIL CITY DISTRICT											
Barnes.....		1 88	80 00		430 00	73 82		3	3000		
Franklin and Cochran.....	3 00	2 00	57 00		650 00	94 63	70 00	1	3000	1	2700
Kaneville.....						56 96					
Mayburg and Kellettville.....	1 50				407 66	62 07		3	1100	1	900
Oil City.....	1 40		63 88		643 32	92 88	42 00	3	4000	1	2000
Pithole and Stewart Run.....			20 00		83 89	24 34		1	600		
Pleasantville and Enterprise.....			38 10		139 17	31 00	55 00	1	200		
Tidioute and Whighill.....	1 40		34 98		447 20	63 15		4	2000	2	1600
Tionesta and Newmansville.....	60		45 00		510 00	135 03		2	2400	1	700
Titusville.....			40 00		407 00	54 00	35 00	3	6500	1	
Weavers and Coalhill.....	1 50		35 00		320 00	37 00	12 12	4	3000	1	600
Youngsville.....	2 50		38 00		525 00	85 42	60 08	2	2200		
Total.....	\$19 25	\$15 87	\$1294 92	\$2 40	14413 03	\$2670 80	\$745 68	70	\$80250	22	\$16550

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# GENESEE CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Forty-second Annual Session held at Albion, New York,  
September 4-7, 1901.

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On Public Worship—W. W. Brown, C. W. Bacon, W. H. Grinnell.

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On Education—B. H. Roberts, C. W. Bacon, L. Conger.

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On Church Literature—J. S. Bradbrook, L. Barmore, Martha Kelly.

On Sabbath Observance—C. C. Eggleston, J. R. Olmstead, Lydia C. Cubitt.

On Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic—W. W. Manning, W. T. Wees, W. W. Warner.

On Conference Claimants' Fund—J. H. Wheeler, C. Tuxford.

On Claimants and Claims as nominated by the president and elected by the conference—W. Manning, A. H. Bennett, C. English, M. C. Burritt.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—N. B. Martin, E. A. Sparling.

On General and Foreign Missions—T. S. Slocum, Oscar Partridge.

On General Superintendents' Salary—G. M. Allen, R. Woolston.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—C. C. Eggleston, W. W. Browne, F. F. Shoup.

On Railroad Reduction—J. S. Bradbrook.

On Ministerial Relations—C. W. Bacon, C. D. Brooks, F. R. Ballard.

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W. W. Browne, president; C. C. Eggleston, secretary; L. D. Perkins, treasurer;

J. H. Harmon, M. C. Burritt.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

L. Wood,  
M. E. Brown,  
A. A. Burgess,  
A. H. Bennett,  
W. W. Browne,  
G. D. Mark,  
A. C. Leonard,  
D. S. Warner,  
E. O. Best,  
B. Winget,  
H. W. Rowley,  
D. W. Steele,  
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C. C. Eggleston,  
R. S. Phillips,  
L. D. Perkins,  
E. A. Taylor,  
W. W. Manning,  
G. M. Allen,  
B. H. Roberts,  
J. H. Wheeler,  
J. S. Bradbrook,  
W. W. Warner,  
F. F. Shoup,

H. Hornsby,  
T. B. Catton,  
S. K. J. Chesbro,  
J. H. Harmon,  
W. Jones,  
T. S. Slocum,  
C. W. Bacon,  
O. C. Blowers,  
N. Palmer,  
N. B. Martin,  
C. W. Thurber,  
G. W. Coleman,  
H. L. Miner,

W. Manning,  
J. Robinson,  
W. T. Hogue,  
W. B. Partridge,  
J. O'Regan,  
R. Worthington,  
J. J. Thompson,  
L. Barmore,  
J. F. Franklin,  
G. S. Chamberlain,  
W. T. Wees,  
M. W. Fuller,  
J. P. Irving,

## DELEGATES

Lydia C. Cubitt,	M. C. Burritt,	C. G. Worbois,	William Hill,
Eunice Jennings,	W. H. Grinnell,	R. Woolston,	Thomas Hill,
W. H. Barnett,	G. B. Bancroft,	E. A. Sparling,	J. A. Craine,
J. L. Clothier,	H. J. Bartelmas,	G. H. Goodenough,	Catherine Moore,
E. A. Johnston,	Sarah Elton,	Rachel Corliss,	J. W. Reese,
Nancy E. Chapin,	H. W. Eaton,	Frank R. Ballard,	A. Pratt,
J. R. Olmstead,	C. English,	L. Conger,	C. Tuxford,
Martha Kelly,	C. Ingersol,	Ellice Welch,	Agnes D. Derby,
Albert McCoy.	Oscar Partridge.		

2. Who are the stationing committee? G. W. Coleman, A. H. Bennett, J. H. Harmon, W. Manning, E. A. Taylor, G. D. Mark, M. C. Burritt, G. B. Bancroft, J. A. Craine, C. English, A. McCoy.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? Elmer C. Reber.

4. Who remain on trial? Leland K. Manning, George B. Tingue, Luman F. Clark, Hassan A. Blowers.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? J. P. Irving, from the Evangelical Association; J. A. Prosser, from the Christian Church of Ontario, Canada.

6. Who are the deacons? G. B. Altoft.

7, 8 None.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? E. A. Taylor.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? H. Hornsby, T. B. Catton, W. Jones, M. E. Brown, I. C. White, A. C. Leonard, R. S. Phillips, R. Worthington.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? Hermon L. Miner, from the East Ontario conference, Canada; Forest F. Shoup, from the Pittsburg conference, Pennsylvania.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? D. S. Warner had been given certificate of good standing by the Chautauqua district with a view to transfer to the East Michigan conference.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16. What is the number of church members? See statistical report.

17, 18, 19, 20, 23. See statistical reports.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? See report on conference claimants and claims.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? The place was left with the district elders to appoint. Time, September 17, 1902, at 2 o'clock p. m.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The forty-second annual session of the conference was held at Albion, Orleans county, New York, September 4-7, 1901. General Superintendent G. W. Coleman presided. There were six sittings of the conference.

Revs. H. L. Miner, S. Rogers, S. T. Gunter, from the Canada (East Ontario), conference, F. F. Shoup, from the Pittsburg conference, L. A. Sager, from the Oil City conference, and J. P. Irving, from the Pittsburg conference of the Evangelical Association, were

introduced to the conference and invited to honorary seats. Three of the visiting ministers later became members of the conference, viz.: H. L. Miner, F. F. Shoup, J. P. Irving.

The following named persons were elected trustees of the Orphanage and Home of Gerry, New York: E. A. Taylor to fill a vacancy in class three; M. C. Burritt, W. A. Sellow, Oscar Partridge, W. H. Clark, A. H. Bennett, class one.

The board of examiners were elected to serve respectively: One for one year, one for two years, one for three years.

The dastardly attempt on President McKinley's life having occurred during the session of conference, J. S. Bradbrook, W. T. Wees, C. D. Brooks were made a committee to express the horror felt at the awful crime, and to write a letter of condolence to Mrs. McKinley.

G. M. Booth was elected conference treasurer.

Conference board of trustees: A. K. Bacon, president and treasurer; A. H. Bennett, secretary; J. Robinson, C. C. Eggleston, D. S. Damon.

J. S. Bradbrook was made a committee on railroad rates.

Sunday services: The morning love-feast in charge of Rev. J. S. Bradbrook was one that will live in the memory of those present, as a season of unusual manifestation of the divine presence and power: preaching at 11:00 by Superintendent Coleman. After preaching, a collection of \$27.00 was taken to make up the deficiency in the report on General Missions. In the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, the W. F. M. S. held a missionary service of great interest to the cause of missions. A free-will offering of thirty-three dollars was taken. In the evening at 6:30 the adjourned love-feast was held; at 7:30 the needs of the Gerry Orphanage and Home were presented and a contribution of seventy dollars was realized. After these preliminaries Rev. J. H. Harmon broke the bread of life from, "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

## APPOINTMENTS

### GENESEE DISTRICT.—A. H. BENNETT, District Elder.

Rochester.....	W. T. Wees, 71 Richmond Park, Rochester, New York	
Parma and ..... W. W. Browne, Parma Center, Monroe county, New York		
Chili.....	L. Barmore, West Greece, "	"
Brockport and Hulberton.....		To be supplied
Sweden.....	H. W. Rowley, Sweden, Monroe county, New York	
Kendall.....	G. S. Chamberlain, West Kendall, Orleans county, "	"
Albion.....	A. H. Bennett, Albion, "	"
Gaines and Kenyonville.....	W. W. Warner, Gaines, "	"

S. K. J. Chesbro, agent, Free Methodist Publishing House, 14 North May street, Chicago, Illinois; B. Winget, missionary secretary, 14 North May street, Chicago, Illinois; B. H. Roberts, principal A. M. Chesbrough Seminary, North Chili, Monroe county, New York; C. D. Brooks, evangelist, Geneva, New York; H. Hornsby, superannuated, West Kendall, Orleans county, New York; R. S. Phillips, superannuated, Brockport, Monroe county, New York; E. A. Taylor, supernumerary, 75 Tenth street, Buffalo, New York.

### WYOMING DISTRICT—N. B. MARTIN, District Elder.

Perry.....	To be supplied
Alexander, Bethany.....	N. B. Martin
Batavia and Greigsville.....	William Newkirk, supply
Johnsonburg and Union Corners.....	
	G. B. Tingle, Johnsonburg, Wyoming county, New York
Gainesville, Wethersfield Springs.....	To be supplied
Leroy.....	To be supplied

G. W. Coleman, general superintendent, Gainesville, New York; T. B. Catton, superannuated, Perry, Wyoming county, New York; M. E. Brown, superannuated, Warsaw, Wyoming county, New York; J. H. Harmon, left without appointment at his request, Perry, Wyoming county, New York; William B. Partridge, left without appointment at his request, Peoria, Wyoming county, New York.

## BUFFALO DISTRICT.—F. F. SHOUP, District Elder.

Buffalo (Virginia street).....	To be supplied
" (Potomac avenue).....	William Manning, 177 Potomac avenue, Buffalo, New York
" (Marion avenue).....	E. C. Reber, Marion avenue, " "
Akron.....	C. W. Thurber, Akron, Erie county, " "
Lockport.....	L. K. Manning, 35 Park avenue, Lockport, " "
Pendleton.....	To be supplied
Newfane.....	J. Robinson, Newfane, Niagara county, New York
Ransomville.....	J. J. Thompson, Ransomville, " "
Tonawanda.....	H. L. Miner, Adams street, Tonawanda, " "
Niagara Falls.....	J. P. Irving, Willow avenue, Niagara Falls, " "
W. T. Hogue, editor of the <i>Free Methodist</i> , 14 North May street, Chicago, Illinois;	
A. C. Leonard, superannuated, Linwood avenue, Niagara Falls, New York; J. F. Franklin,	
evangelist, Marion avenue, Buffalo, New York; J. O'Regan, evangelist; A. A. Burgess, left	
without appointment at his request, 196 Fifteenth street, Buffalo, New York; J. S. Brad-	
brook, financial agent of the Gerry Orphanage and Home; M. W. Fuller, left without ap-	
pointment at his request.	

## ALLEGANY DISTRICT.—C. W. BACON, District Elder.

Alleghany and Dutch Hill.....	G. B. Altoft, Alleghany, Cattaraugus county, New York
Belmont and Wellsville.....	D. W. Steele, Belmont, Alleghany county, " "
Bolivar and Petrolia.....	M. E. Ellis, Bolivar, " "
Cattaraugus, New Albion and Little Valley.....	T. S. Slocum, Cattaraugus, Cattaraugus county, New York
East Otto, Ashford and Springville.....	L. F. Clark, East Otto, Cattaraugus county, " "
Colden and West Falls.....	To be supplied
Elton and Yorkshire.....	J. A. Prosser, Elton, Cattaraugus county, New York
Franklinville.....	C. C. Eggleston, Franklinville, " "
Rushford and Rockville.....	J. E. Tiffany, Rushford, Alleghany county, " "
Collins Center and Marshfield.....	N. Palmer, Collins Center, Erie county, " "
Gowanda and North Collins.....	G. M. Allen, Gowanda, Cattaraugus county, " "
Wales and Townline.....	N. L. Goodenough, Wales, Erie county, " "
L. Wood, left without appointment at his request, 92 Boylston street, Bradford, Penn-	
sylvania; W. Jones, superannuated, Gowanda, Cattaraugus county, New York; W. W.	
Manning, evangelist, Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county, New York.	

## CHAUTAUQUA DISTRICT.—G. D. MARK, District Elder.

Forestville and Fredonia.....	Omar C. Blowers, Forestville, Chautauqua county, New York
Salamanca, Great Valley and Redhouse.....	To be supplied
South Dayton, Leon and Cherrycreek.....	C. L. Silvernail, South Dayton, Chautauqua county, New York
Ellington and East Randolph.....	H. A. Blowers, East Randolph, Cattaraugus county, New York
Jamestown.....	J. H. Wheeler, 511 East Seventh street, Jamestown, New York
Gerry.....	G. D. Mark, Gerry, Chautauqua county, " "
L. D. Perkins, manager Orphanage and Home, Gerry, Chautauqua county, New York;	
I. C. White, superannuated, Forestville, Chautauqua county, New York; R. Worthington,	
superannuated, 160 East Ninth, Jamestown, New York; E. C. Best, left without appoint-	
ment at his request, Fredonia, Chautauqua county, New York.	

## LOCAL PREACHERS AND EVANGLISTS

A. K. Bacon.....	Albion, Orleans county, New York
G. W. Worthington.....	Kendall, " " " "
M. C. Burritt.....	Chili Station, Monroe county, " "
Mrs. E. S. Roberts.....	North Chili, " " " "
B. Scull.....	North Chili, " " " "
Miss A. P. Carpenter.....	North Chili, " " " "
Mrs. L. F. Manning.....	177 Potomac avenue, Buffalo, " "
M. G. Cottrill.....	269 Bird avenue, " " " "
H. G. Booth.....	227 Potomac avenue, " " " "
John Lowe.....	681 Hopkins street, " " " "
S. Witmer.....	1024 Grove avenue, Niagara Falls, " "
R. E. Bigelow.....	Wilson, Niagara county, " "
E. A. Johnston.....	Newfane, " " " "



Mrs. Flora Goodenough.....	Wales, Erie county, New York	"	"
Arthur Eaden .....	East Aurora, " " " "	"	"
M. A. Boyd.....	Wadsworth, Livingston county, " "	"	"
Gilbert Bullard .....	Gaines, Orleans county, " "	"	"
Frank Ballard .....	Cattaraugus, Cattaraugus county, " "	"	"
Mrs. O. T. Steele .....	East Otto, " " " "	"	"
C. Wiltse.....	Allegany, " " " "	"	"
M. H. Monroe.....	Allegany, " " " "	"	"
John G. Tuxford.....	Gowanda, " " " "	"	"
J. L. Turner.....	Bolivar, Allegany county, " "	"	"
Mrs. R. A. Best.....	113 Seymour street, Fredonia, Chautauqua county, " "	"	"
Mrs. Lizzie M. Perkins.....	Gerry, " " " "	"	"
W. P. Carpenter.....	214 Washington street, Jamestown, " "	"	"
W. W. Jones.....	Bolivar, Allegany county, " "	"	"
Edson L. Worbois.....	Hilton, Monroe county, " "	"	"
Mrs. L. J. W. Coleman.....	Gainesville, Wyoming county, " "	"	"

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

CHILDREN'S FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$13.63.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—Amount raised, \$4.88.

CONFERENCE CLAIMS.—Amount of claims, \$1050.00.

By cash and receipts, \$461.27; received from treasurer, \$490.00. Surplus, \$1.27. Total, \$1051.27.

The surplus was ordered placed in the hands of M. C. Burritt.

Disbursements: Paid I. C. White, \$150; W. Jones, \$150; R. S. Phillips, \$140; M. E. Brown, \$150; A. C. Leonard, \$40.00; R. Worthington, \$35.00; Mrs. M. E. McAlpine, \$110; Mrs. Jennie G. Chesbro, \$45.00; Mrs. Marcia Southworth, \$80.00; Mrs. Ruth E. Bacon, \$150. Total, \$1050.00.

Paid from the interest accruing from the Stevens-Sperry legacies, in excess of their claims, by vote of the conference: To Jennie G. Chesbro, \$35.00; Marcia Southworth, \$20.00; R. S. Phillips, \$75.00. Total, \$130.00.

Amount necessary for the coming year: W. Jones, \$150; I. C. White, \$150; M. E. Brown, \$150; R. S. Phillips, \$140; R. Worthington, \$35.00; Mrs. Mary E. McAlpine, \$110; Mrs. Jennie G. Chesbro, \$45.00; Mrs. Marcia Southworth, \$80.00; Ruth E. Bacon, \$150.00. Total, \$1010.00.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Amount raised, \$109.47.

TO PUBLISH THE MINUTES.—Amount raised, \$31.00.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' CLAIM.—Apportionment, \$275.76.

By cash and receipts, \$268.47; deficit, \$7.29. Total, \$275.76.

The deficit was ordered paid from money in the hands of the conference treasurer.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Amount apportioned, \$229.80.

By cash and receipts, \$201.81; deficit, 27.99. Total, \$229.80.

The deficiency was ordered to be met by a collection on Sunday morning.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Amount ordered to be raised (20 cents per member) \$306.40.

Amount raised, \$277.92; deficit \$28.48; Total, \$306.40.

Amount apportioned, \$300.00. Disbursements: Paid to Pendleton circuit, \$46.30; Chautauqua district, \$69.50; Salamanca, etc., circuit, \$23.16; Franklinville circuit, \$23.16; Gainesville, etc., circuit, \$23.16; Collins Center, etc., circuit, \$23.16; Batavia, etc., circuit, \$23.16; Randolph, etc., circuit, \$23.16; Gaines and Kenyonville circuit, \$23.16; deficit, \$22.08. Total, \$277.92.

The committee recommended that twenty cents per member be raised and make the following appropriations for the coming year, the balance to be appropriated as the next session of the conference orders: Pendleton, \$25.00; Gaines and Kenyonville, \$25.00; East Randolph, etc., \$25.00; Alexander, Bethany, etc., \$40.00; Collins Center and Marshfield, \$25.00; Franklinville, \$25.00; Newfane, \$25.00; South Dayton, etc., \$15.00; Salamanca, etc., \$25.00. Total, \$230.00.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—By cash and receipt, \$108.15.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Allegany district, \$112.66; Buffalo district, \$242.05; Chautauqua district, \$203.93; Genesee district, \$201.93; Wyoming district, \$31.39; collection, Sunday, at conference, \$33.00. Total for the year, \$824.96.

This report does not include the adoption of several India orphans, and nearly \$100 in subscriptions.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CONFERENCE TRUSTEES.—Treasurer reports:—Cash on deposit in Monroe County Savings Bank of Rochester, \$750; Mechanics' Savings Bank, \$250; balance of Leroy church fund in Citizens' Bank of Albion, \$71.45. Total of principal, \$1,071.45.

In hand of treasurer at last report:—Cyrus Sperry's legacy, \$1,000; Leroy church fund, \$101.45; amount of interest, \$267.90. Total, \$1,369.35.

The 1901 interest on C. Bank, \$30.80; interest on Mechanic's Savings Bank, \$10.93; interest from S. K. J. Chesbro, on Stevens' legacy, \$56.00. Total, \$97.73. Total from all sources, \$1,467.08.

Paid per vote of the last conference: Deficiency of claims, \$17.24; to Jennie G. Chesbro, \$25.00; to M. E. Brown, \$100; for sewer tax on the Dunkirk property, \$30.00. Total paid out, \$172.24. Total in hand September 6, 1901, \$1,294.84.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER.—September 8, 1901. General conference expense fund, balance reported at the last conference, \$26.10; interest to date, \$.78; balance on hand to date, \$26.88. General superintendents' fund, balance reported at the last conference, \$14.70; interest to date \$.25. Total, \$14.95. September 22, 1900, paid to E. P. Hart, \$6.32. Balance in hand to date, \$8.63.

Genesee conference fund. Received at the last conference: For foreign missions, \$9.60; general missions, \$86.08; church extension, \$111.17; printing the minutes, \$31.50. Total, \$238.35. Paid to S. K. J. Chesbro by C. W. Bacon, \$.50; paid to S. K. J. Chesbro, \$232.45. Total, \$238.35.

## II.—ON STATE OF THE WORK.

Your committee are gratified to acknowledge the good that has been accomplished within our borders during the past conference year, recognizing that the "gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." While we rejoice that our labor has not been in vain in the Lord, we feel a measure of sadness that much more has not been accomplished in the Lord's work, that the word of the Lord has not had free course to run and be glorified until throughout all our borders "the weak one has become as David and David as the angel of the Lord."

While other and larger religious denominations confess to a loss in membership, ought we to be satisfied that we hold our own, or that we are able to report a measure of increase? Does not the history of the church teach us that when the church has simply stood in a defensive attitude she has already begun to decline, while on the other hand, when she has taken the aggressive she has prospered and triumphed? It has been the earnest endeavor of your committee to seek out the causes that have contributed as hindrances to a greater measure of success.

1. We would suggest that the littleness of our faith has contributed largely to our want of success. We look at the difficulties and obstacles in our way, until we are ready to say with the apostle, "Who is sufficient for these things?" But should not our faith enable us to rise above all these so that in holy triumph we can say with him, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me?"

2. Have not the watchmen on Zion's walls been wanting in courage? Has it not sometimes been painful to behold the timid attitude of God's ambassadors? The ambassador of an earthly monarch presents the message of the king with boldness because it is the king's message. Shall the ambassadors of the King of heaven be fearful when the King himself declares, "The word that goeth forth out of my mouth shall not return unto me void, but shall accomplish that which I please, and shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it?" And again, "Is not my word like as a fire? saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?" Backed by the power of Omnipotence, shall not the righteous be bold as a lion?

3. Has there not been a lack among us, both in the ministry and laity, of the constraining love of Christ? What can withstand the power of divine love? "Love suffereth long and is kind. Love never faileth. Love beareth all things. Love believeth all things. Love hopeth all things. Love endureth all things." One who had deep experience as a soul-winner declares, "The love of Christ constraineth us."

4. Your committee would further call attention to what they believe is far too common, a source of great evil and a hindrance to the work of God among us, viz., injudiciousness on the part of those having charge of circuits in the administration of Discipline, a hastiness which is not characterized by meekness—a forgetfulness of the injunction, "Be mild but firm." It is not often the case that, with carefulness and the exercise of wisdom and patience, peace may not be restored, whereas the opposite course has resulted in rending and scattering whole societies. The administrator of Discipline has magnified his office, and at the same time has destroyed his flock.

5. Your committee further believe that our work might be much more largely extended and built up, were there greater effort put forth by those having charge of circuits in opening up new appointments, and extending our work in the regions beyond. It seems a serious mistake to confine all our efforts to old appointments. We have known of promising fields that have been lost to us, from which earnest invitations have been extended to

introduce our work. Should not our ministers feel more deeply the obligation upon them to enter every open door?

6. Has there not been on the part of the ministry among us, too much of a tendency to turn from their high and holy calling to secular pursuits, in part at least? Have not these solemnly declared it to be their purpose to devote themselves to the work of God? Have they not sacredly promised to devote all their time to the work of the Lord? It is true that there are many circumstances and occasions to tempt one in that direction. Toil and weariness, privation and opposition lie along the pathway, but with the eye steadfastly fixed on the unseen and the eternal, cannot the fully consecrated soul in holy triumph, declare, "None of these things move me"? When in the night vision the cry reached the ear of the apostle to the Gentiles, "Come over into Macedonia and help us," who of us would have expected the following morning to have found him on the stock exchange or sitting at the table of the money-changers? Brethren in the ministry, yours is a high and holy calling. Well may you sing—

"When I survey the wondrous cross,  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

"Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small,  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all."

### III.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

It is a most lamentable fact that our land is flooded with trashy and impure literature, and because of this the minds of the old as well as the young are being poisoned, many lives are being ruined, and many souls lost. The masses all over this fair country of ours are being affected by an ungodly press. This is no time for God's people to close their eyes to this reprehensible state of things by which we are surrounded. If ever there was a time when the church should be fully awake and as far as possible stay the tide of the moral defiling literature that is sweeping down upon us, it is now.

We are glad to note, however, that there is at least one publishing house in America from which literature may be had that is safe to place in the hands of both old and young, feeling assured that it will prove a blessing to them. No better publications can be found than those issued from our own publishing house. We would therefore recommend that as far as possible the *Free Methodist*, *Earnest Christian*, *Missionary Tidings*, together with the Sunday-school supplies published in Chicago, be placed in every home in the land.

### IV.—ON PROHIBITION OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Of all the evils of our land the legalized rum traffic stands at the head. Its debauching and devastating effects are everywhere seen, not only upon the bodies of our brightest and best, but upon mind and heart. For the existence of such a curse some one is responsible. We would like to throw that responsibility upon the devil, and certainly it is Satanic in every manifestation of its hydra-head, but the responsibility rests largely upon the Christian church. We are told that there are four million Christian voters in the United States. We know there are many who are not Christians who are endeavoring to the best of their ability to do away with this legalized curse. Could there be a union of these forces victory would be in sight. The reason there is not a union is because of failure on the part of the Christian church. The question arises, "How can this monster power be overthrown?"

1. It cannot be overthrown by affiliation with either of the old parties so long as they stand upon their present, respective platforms, for the fact is, both are pledged to the liquor business.

2. It cannot be accomplished by prayer accompanied by indifference. It is a creature of law, and must be overthrown by law. And it can only be overthrown by law as forces sufficiently strong can be obtained to demand the enactment of such law as will cause its death.

The Prohibition party is the only party that today stands pledged to this end. Those who vote with this party say by that vote they desire the death of the liquor power. The time has long since passed when we should hesitate, but there should be a rallying to the ranks of the Prohibition party of every true Christian voter.

But says some one, I shall throw away my vote. Not so brother. You who believe that the principle of prohibition is right and yet have voted with either the Republican or Democratic party have been the one to throw away your vote; while the man who votes for principle never loses his vote.

Come then, my brother, and be bound no longer by old party ties. Break away from the old political shackles that have held you so long. For the sake of God and home and

country come to the front; join with the Prohibition party; vote as you pray; help to down this monster; then will you have honor of God and man and right will prevail.

#### V.—ON EDUCATION.

Schools are abundant, good schools are numerous, but schools where Bible religion is fostered are as necessary as they are rare.

The members of our church are not slow to improve the advantages offered by the many good schools of our State. But many children have been lost to the church through the secularizing tendencies of non-religious schools.

We feel free to urge our people as far as practicable to place their children in schools where care is taken to foster religious life and to develop Christian character.

In the matter of expense, it is folly to save a few dollars at the possible risk of moral loss to the young.

We especially commend to our people the Chesbrough Seminary, being assured its influences will be beneficial to their children.

#### VI.—ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

True to our time honored custom we continue to give line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little, there a little, respecting the observance of this holy day. We cannot find a more forceful and effectual command and obligation for Sabbath observance than is contained in the decalogue, "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy."

1. God's command in this as in all other matters is alone sufficient to forever seal the obligation upon all his intelligent creatures.

2. Man's needs fully demand an observance of this command in order to his highest good as seen in the light of nature and human reason, as well as in the further light of divine revelation.

While all proper latitude is given man for the works of necessity, no license is granted for the ignoring or transgressing of Bible commandments.

That one day of rest in seven is needed to recuperate wasted energy, and for the worship of God, is a fact too clearly known and realized to be in any sense turned away from only to be made guilty of a violation of that precept of the Almighty, which places all such under the penalty of a broken law. God's command and our demand can only be met as we fall into line with the word of God and observe this day with a sense in so doing that this shall be the prompting motive, "Holiness unto the Lord." We are sad to see the tide of Sabbath desecration setting in, if possible, with greater force than ever in all the places of profit or pleasure now so fully indulged in by our so-called Christian nation.

We remember in the beautiful springtime of 1861, when the terrible and disastrous battle of Bull Run was fought on God's holy day, which resulted in the calamitous defeat of the Northern armies and the awful death record which followed that day's carnage. During all those years of war, little or no account was taken of the holy Sabbath. Today it seems every effort is put forth to attract the people to this transgression by Sunday excursions and the cheap rates offered by cars and boats to convey the multitudes to the scenes where revelry and debauchery are the prompting cards that draw the masses to their vile resorts. What shall be done to stay this tide of evil? And echo answers, "What shall be done." We utter our protest, we preach, we pray, we warn, but alas! how unavailing are all our efforts.

Let us not forget, but ever remember the word which declares, "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee." We would urge all our preachers to engage in public services on the streets, on the Lord's day, and by so doing endeavor to counteract the trend of effort in the matter of Sabbath desecration. Again, we pledge ourselves to a faithful observance of God's command, and will try by all legal means to further the interest in the observance of the holy Sabbath.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE GENESEE CONFERENCE

GENESEE, WYOMING AND BUFFALO DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Publicans	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday-Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claim	Confessionals' Claim	Conference Mis-	Confessionals Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to Gen-eral Conference.	Foreign Missions-ary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Soci-eties
GENESEE DISTRICT	A. H. Bennett, District Elder																		
	Rochester	62	6	68	1	1	1	11	64	15	\$18 30	\$10 08	\$12 20	\$9 15	\$6 10	\$6 10	.....	8 75	\$31 70
	Parma and Chili	110	9	119	2	2	6	51	200	35	36 00	23 04	22 00	17 00	12 50	12 50	.....	9 38	80 86
	Brockport and Huberton	20		20				5	25	3	6 27	3 42	1 15				.....		
	Sweden	15		15			1	6	50	6	4 55	2 70	3 00		1 50	1 50	.....		
	Kendall	48	4	52	1	1	2	21	100	8	14 40	8 65	9 00	6 20	4 80	4 80	.....		12 00
	Albion	102	5	107	1	1	1	15	85	20	34 32	18 72	20 80	15 60	10 40	10 40	.....	13 65	17 00
WYOMING DISTRICT	Gaibes and Kenyonville	29	3	32	1	1	1	8	48	6	9 50	5 58	6 20	5 58	1 00	1 00	.....		
	J. H. Harmon, District Elder																		
	Perry	40		40			1	7	42	9	10 00	6 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	9 00	32 72
	Greigsville	6	1	7													.....		
	Johnsburg and Union Corners	26	4	30			2	12	75	4	6 90	4 14	4 10	3 45	1 80	1 80	.....		
	Gainesville and Wethersfield Springs	42	11	53	1	1	3	8	19	64	12 54	6 84	7 00	5 70	3 80	3 80	.....	2 00	
	Alexander, Bethany, Batavia, Leroy	18	1	19			3	8	40	6	5 40	3 24	2 85	2 70	1 00	1 00	.....		
BUFFALO DISTRICT	W. Manning, District Elder																		
	Buffalo (Virginia Street)	56	6	62	1	1	1	8	47	18	16 50	9 00	10 00	7 50	5 00	5 00	.....	4 30	54 93
	Buffalo (Potomac Avenue)	49	4	53	1	1	1	16	110	7	17 28	9 72	10 80	8 10	6 40	6 40	.....		
	Buffalo (Marion Avenue)	14	6	20			1	6	42	4	10 23	4 14	7 05	3 45	2 10	2 10	.....		
	Akron	20	3	23			1	8	31	6	10 30	3 58	6 80	5 10	3 40	3 40	.....		19 50
	Lackport	38	6	44			1	10	90	7	13 00	9 34	2 60	1 90	1 30	1 30	.....	91	50 00
	Pendleton	23	2	25			1	4	26	3	7 50	4 50	2 15	3 75	2 50	2 50	.....		8 55
	Newfane	23	2	25			1	4	26	3	7 50	4 50	2 15	3 75	2 50	2 50	.....		8 00
	Ransomville	86	1	87			1	8	40	10	10 80	6 48	7 20	5 40	3 60	3 60	.....		
	Tonawanda	46	6	52			1	12	53	12	14 64	7 54	7 60	5 50	5 30	5 30	.....		
	Niagara Falls	27	5	32	1	1	1	11	83	5	7 50	4 14	4 60	3 45	2 30	2 30	.....		11 60



## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE GENESEE CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

## ALLEGANY AND CHAUTAUQUA DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Pre-Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
ALLEGANY DISTRICT	E. A. Taylor, District Elder															
	Allegany and Dutch Hill.....	48	56	1	1	3	12	100	7	\$15 30	\$ 8 64	\$ 9 60	\$ 5 40			
	Belmont, Wellsville, Bolivar, Pikeville.....	88	4	42	1	1	5	40	8	11 40	6 84	7 60	16			
	Cattaraugus, New Albion, Champlain.....	46	4	50	2	1	7	50	9	13 50	8 10	9 75	5 65			\$ 5 00
	East Otto and Springville.....	54	25	79	1	3	24	125	7	14 70	8 82	9 80	7 22			
	Elton and Yorkshire.....	46	8	54	1	1	7	48	8	15 03	9 18	7 75	5 00			
	Franklinville.....	28	5	33	1	1	5	25	6	7 50	4 60	5 00	3 75			
	Rushford and Rockville.....	61	6	67	2	2	12	85	19	20 79	11 35	12 60	9 45		\$25 00	22 00
	Collins Center and Marshfield.....	30	4	34	2	1	9	60	6	9 00	5 40	6 80	4 50		4 50	13 00
	Gowanda and North Collins.....	31	5	36	1	2	13	42	8	10 20	6 12	6 00	3 10			
	Westfalls, Colden, Wales, Townline.....	22	3	31	1	3	13	52	9	6 60	3 80	4 40	3 30		1 00	
CHAUTAUQUA DISTRICT	G. D. Mark, District Elder															
	Forestville, Perrysburg, Fredonia.....	50	3	53	1	2	22	76	12	13 90	8 28	9 20	6 90			
	Salamanca, Great Valley, Redhouse.....	35	35	35	2	8	50	10	10 20	10 20	6 12	6 80	1 00		2 00	
	South Dayton, Leon, Cherry Creek.....	82	1	31	1	2	5	30	9	9 60	5 76	4 80	4 24			
	Ellington and East Randolph.....	37	5	42	1	1	10	30	12	9 60	6 70	6 40	5 70			31 85
	Jamestown.....	55	1	56	1	1	6	30	11	11 40	6 84	6 84	2 25			
	Gerry.....	55	1	56	1	1	9	46	14	16 90	9 90	11 55	8 25		10 26	36 45
Total.....		1492	177	1669	24	859	428	2230	337	\$461 40	\$276 44	\$272 54	\$201 90	\$110 92	\$80 76	\$459 60

Paid to the Gerry Orphanage and Home: Great Valley and Redhouse circuit, \$95 00; Rushford and Rockville circuit, \$23 00; Rushford and Rockville Sunday-schools, \$15 41. Paid to Olive Branch Mission by Rushford and Rockville Sunday-schools, \$21 84.



STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE GENESEE CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
GENESEE DISTRICT											
Rochester.....	\$2 00	\$6 61	\$55 63	.....	\$705 35	.....	\$15 30	1	\$ 4900	1	\$5000
Parma and Chili.....	.....	.....	60 00	.....	800 00	.....	.....	5	10000	2	2500
Brockport and Hulberton.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	125 98	\$ 5 80	.....	2	3000	.....	.....
Sweden.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	278 59	.....	5 20	1	1500	1	750
Kendall.....	.....	.....	44 63	.....	450 00	5 91	17 17	2	3500	1	1500
Albion.....	.....	2 07	35 51	.....	600 00	12 00	.....	1	8000	1	1400
Gaines and Kenyonville.....	.....	.....	12 11	.....	213 00	7 47	.....	2	800	1	400
WYOMING DISTRICT											
Perry.....	.....	.....	20 17	.....	384 13	.....	.....	1	2000	1	1000
Greigsville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnsonburg and Union Corners.....	.....	.....	16 54	.....	304 54	12 70	.....	2	1600	1	500
Gainesville, etc.....	.....	1 44	21 25	.....	308 25	.....	15 00	2	1700	.....	.....
Alexander, Bethany, Batavia.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	292 80	5 50	.....	3	2300	.....	.....
Leroy.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
BUFFALO DISTRICT											
Buffalo (Virginia Street).....	1 00	1 00	60 00	\$2 50	761 00	.....	.....	1	10000	1	3200
Buffalo (Potomac Avenue).....	.....	1 88	70 90	2 50	550 00	.....	.....	1	3100	1	2700
Buffalo (Marion Avenue).....	.....	.....	78 40	.....	490 12	13 00	.....	1	1200	.....	.....
Akron.....	.....	1 00	42 49	.....	400 00	12 62	.....	1	2000	1	1500
Lockport.....	.....	.....	27 10	.....	423 29	32 90	.....	1	5000	1	1000
Pendleton.....	.....	.....	20 45	.....	185 50	6 55	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newfane.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	185 00	.....	.....	1	1500	1	1000
Ransomville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	303 27	.....	.....	1	2000	1	700
Tonawanda.....	.....	.....	66 38	.....	327 94	.....	.....	1	5000	1	2000
Niagara Falls.....	.....	.....	43 81	.....	300 00	4 22	12 17	1	3000	.....	.....
ALLEGANY DISTRICT											
Allegany and Dutch Hill.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	350 00	31 92	.....	2	3000	1	1000
Belmont, Wellsville, Bolivar, etc.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	533 22	38 00	25 00	2	3000	2	1300
Cattaraugus, New Albion, etc.....	.....	.....	17 10	.....	215 36	31 42	.....	1	2200	.....	.....
East Otto and Springville.....	.....	2 15	40 00	.....	267 58	32 00	.....	1	1000	1	1000
Elton and Yorkshire.....	.....	.....	29 00	.....	333 00	40 10	.....	2	1800	2	600
Franklinville.....	50	30	16 00	.....	225 00	26 75	.....	1	2000	1	1200
Rushford and Rockville.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	365 59	42 74	.....	1	1000	1	500
Collins Center and Marshfield.....	.....	1 17	13 40	.....	247 00	26 79	.....	2	1700	1	700
Gowanda and North Collins.....	.....	2 70	29 65	.....	326 27	32 00	.....	2	3000	1	1200
Westfalls, Colden, Wales, etc.....	.....	.....	13 24	.....	188 63	34 09	.....	3	2250	1	650
CHAUTAUQUA DISTRICT											
Forestville, Perrysburg, Fredonia.....	.....	.....	28 83	.....	390 00	36 00	.....	2	3500	1	800
Salamanca, Great Valley, etc.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	105 00	26 10	.....	2	2500	.....	.....
South Dayton, Leon, Cherrycreek.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112 00	28 00	.....	2	2000	.....	.....
Ellington and East Randolph.....	.....	.....	7 00	.....	240 00	29 00	.....	1	1000	.....	.....
Jamestown.....	.....	.....	19 78	.....	400 00	42 20	.....	1	2500	1	2000
Gerry.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	400 00	67 89	.....	1	1500	1	800
Total.....	\$3 50	\$20 52	\$1037 37	\$5 00	\$13149 41	\$683 66	\$94 84 57	\$105450 30	\$24900		

E. A. Taylor reports \$67 29 more than appears from the report of circuits on the elder's receipts Allegany district, making a total of \$403.00.

# EAST ONTARIO CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session, held at Bracebridge, Ontario, August 28-September 1, 1901

## OFFICERS

G. W. COLEMAN, President.

A. SIMS, Secretary.

W. H. REYNOLDS, Assistant Secretary.

R. BURNHAM, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—G. W. Coleman, W. H. Reynolds, S. Rogers.

On Quarterly Conference Records—R. Burnham, Charles Cunningham, E. Snyder.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—Charles Cunningham.

On Publications—S. T. Gunter, S. Rogers, A. M. Bridge.

On Sabbath-schools—S. Rogers, J. W. Commodore, John Montgomery.

On Reforms—Charles Cunningham, C. Prior, C. Goodrich.

On State of the Work—A. Sims, W. H. Reynolds, J. D. Shire, A. M. Bridge.

On Home Missions and Missionary Appropriations—W. H. Reynolds, A. Sims, R. Burnham, J. D. Shire, Charles Goodrich.

On Evangelists' Benefit Fund—The committee on home missions.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

A. Sims, president; W. H. Reynolds, secretary and treasurer; S. Rogers, Charles Prior, A. M. Bridge.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A. Sims, president; W. H. Reynolds, secretary and treasurer; S. Rogers, R. Burnham, A. M. Bridge.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

A. Sims, president, three years; R. Burnham, two years; W. H. Reynolds, secretary, one year.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Publications—A. Sims.

On Sabbath-schools—E. Snyder.

On Reforms—R. Burnham.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First Quarter, Home Missions; second quarter, (1) General Superintendents' (2) Church Extension; third quarter, (1) Delegates' Expenses to the General Conference, (2) General Missions; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants'.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

A. Sims,  
H. L. Miner,  
S. T. Gunter,

W. H. Reynolds,  
J. W. Commodore,  
S. Walker,

R. Burnham,  
E. Snyder,  
W. H. Gregory.

S. Rogers,  
Charles Cunningham,

### DELEGATES

Charles Goodrich,  
Charles Prior,  
H. Smith,

John Montgomery,  
A. M. Bridge,  
P. Timbers.

J. D. Shire,  
H. Allen,  
F. E. Minor,

Thomas Flake,  
M. Snyder,  
G. Binney.

2. Who are the stationing committee? G. W. Coleman, A. Sims, W. H. Reynolds, C. Prior, A. M. Bridge.
3. What preachers are admitted on trial? William Zurbrigg, C. Dierks, C. A. Fox.
4. Who remain on trial? James Clink, F. D. Bradley, D. L. Gunter.
5. Who are admitted into full connection? W. H. Gregory.
6. Who are the deacons? S. Walker, E. Snyder, C. Cunningham, S. T. Gunter, W. H. Gregory.
- 7, 9, 10, 11. No business.
8. Who have located this year? J. W. Commodore.
12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? G. W. Overbaugh.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? J. Clink, H. L. Miner, S. Walker.
- 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22. See reports and statistics.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Armadale, Ontario, as near the second week of the Toronto Exhibition as may suit the convenience of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The sixth session of the East Ontario conference was for the first time held in the busy, thriving town of Bracebridge. Superintendent G. W. Coleman presided. He was accompanied by his devoted wife. Her old associates in the work were glad to see her once more, and to hear her stirring exhortations. The conference was harmonious throughout.

The business sittings were held in the church, but the religious services were held in the spacious Town Hall, which was usually crowded.

On account of the seat of conference being so far away, but few delegates were present from the Kingston and Havelock districts.

The conference treasurer reports all the claims raised in full. There is a slight increase in the total number of members.

The W. F. M. S. held an enthusiastic missionary meeting on Saturday afternoon. A liberal collection was taken.

Two promising young men were received into the traveling connection on trial. At the close of the Sabbath morning service W. H. Gregory was ordained to the office of deacon.

## APPOINTMENTS

KINGSTON DISTRICT.—W. H. REYNOLDS, District Elder.

Lansdowne.....	To be supplied
Kingston, Cataragui and Cushendall.....	C. Cunningham, Cataragui, Ontario
Wilton, Odessa, Petworth and Yarker.....	George Altan, supply, Perth Road, “
Verona, Oak Flats and Enterprise.....	R. Burnham, Verona, “
Westport.....	C. A. Fox, Westport, “
Perth Road.....	Sperry Snyder, supply, Perth Road, “
Maberly.....	To be supplied
Vennachar and Mount Zion.....	C. Cassell, supply, Vennachar, Ontario
Bloomfield, Ridge Road and Point Peter.....	C. Babcock, supply, Picton, “

## HAVELOCK DISTRICT.—W. H. REYNOLDS, District Elder.

Gunter.....	To be supplied
Beaver Creek, Rockdale and Trent Bridge.....	
.....	Charles Goodrich, supply, D. L. Gunter, Marmora, Ontario
Burnley and Warkworth.....	To be supplied

## TORONTO DISTRICT.—A. SIMS, District Elder, Toronto, Ontario.

Port Credit.....	To be supplied
Toronto.....	John Montgomery, supply, Toronto, Ontario
Armadales.....	F. D. Bradley, Armadale, “
Uxbridge and Mount Pleasant.....	William Zurbrigg, Uxbridge, “
Belhaven and Baldwin.....	W. H. Gregory, Baldwin, “

## MUSKOKA DISTRICT.—A. SIMS, District Elder.

Crown Hill and Barrie.....	To be supplied
Barkway and Severn Bridge.....	E. Snyder, Housey's Rapids, Ontario
Bracebridge and Baysville.....	S. Rogers, Bracebridge, “
Gravenhurst.....	Charles Dierks, Gravenhurst, “
Huntsville and Swinden.....	S. T. Gunter, Huntsville, “
James Clink, given certificate of standing with a view to transfer.	

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## I.—ON FINANCE.

FOR PUBLISHING THE MINUTES.—Amount raised, \$17.20.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' CLAIM.—Apportioned and raised, \$107.64.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Apportioned and raised, \$59.80.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Apportioned and raised, \$89.70.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Apportioned and raised, \$179.40.

EVANGELISTS' BENEFIT FUND.—Balance on hand from last year, \$71.25; interest on same for one year, \$2.15; cash received at conference, \$25.50. Total, \$98.90.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Amount raised and forwarded to S. K. J. Chesbro, \$82.35.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Balance on hand from last year, \$63.60; amount raised, \$172.25. Total, \$235.85.

Amount expended, \$107.50. Balance on hand, \$128.35.

THANKSGIVING FUND.—Total amount raised, \$313.14.

By printing of circulars, expressage, postage, etc., \$5.66; balance on hand, \$307.48. Total, \$313.14.

PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF CHURCH PROPERTIES.—To amount from the sale of Mount Albert church, \$100.00; to amount from the sale of Orillia Mission, \$25.00. Total, \$125.00.

By amount of expense incurred in the transfer of the Mount Albert church, \$5.50; balance on hand, \$119.50. Total, \$125.00.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE EAST ONTARIO CONFERENCE

KINGSTON, HAVELOCK, TORONTO AND MUSKOKA DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Baptists	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Societies
KINGSTON DISTRICT																	
Lansdowne	A. Sims, District Elder	13		13					3	\$ 6.90	\$ 2.52	\$ 3.94	\$ 3.10	\$1.40			\$19.80
Kingston, Cataract, Cusheidal	C. Cunningham	58	10	68	1	1	9	45	11	16.20	9.72	15.12	15.12	3.50			
Wilton, Odessa, Petworth, Yarker	C. A. Fox	32	9	41	2	2	8	40	6	10.50	6.30	9.75	9.75	2.00			
Verona, Oak Flats, Enterprise	R. Burnham	62	10	72	1	1	11	65	6	18.90	11.84	17.00	17.00	6.80			17.45
Westport	Lotta Babcock, supply	26	7	33	1	1	15	20	8	6.60	3.70	6.45	3.80	2.50			9.70
Perth Road	Emma Snyder, supply	16	9	25	1	1			3	9.30	1.98	3.08	1.65	1.10			4.15
Maberly	D. Gunter	11	1	12					2	3.30	1.98	3.08	1.70	1.10			
Vennachar and Mt. Zion	Charles Babcock	14		14					1	2.75	2.02	3.08	1.20	1.10			
Bloomfield, Ridge Road, Bethesda		15	7	22	1	1	4	26	2	4.50	2.70	4.20	2.25	1.50			
HAVELOCK DISTRICT																	
Gunter	A. Sims, District Elder	13	2	15	2	1	4	25		3.30	1.98	2.82	1.65	1.12		\$1.00	
Charles Cassell																	
Charles Goodrich		20	13	33	1	2	9	65	3	6.30	3.78	5.88	3.15	2.10			
Trent Bridge, Healy's Falls, Victoria		16		16					2	6.00	3.60	4.10	3.00	2.00			
Burnley and Warkworth	Sperry Snyder	25	3	28		2	9	40	2	7.10	4.0	5.60	3.75	2.40			
TORONTO DISTRICT																	
Port Credit	W. H. Reynolds, District Elder	3		3					1	2.82	1.6	56	15	10			
Toronto	John Montgomery	11	1	12	1	1	7	30	2	8.25	2.32	4.00	2.10	1.40			9.54
Armadae	W. H. Gregory	30	1	31	1	1	7	33	2	8.95	3.25	7.10	3.40	2.50			33.17
Belhaven and Baldwin	F. D. Bradley	61	5	66	2	2	10	58	7	21.45	11.70	13.20	9.25	2.80			1.06
Uxbridge	William Zurbrigg	41	1	42	1	1	7	46	5	8.91	3.22	4.60	4.60	2.80			7.20
MUSKOKA DISTRICT																	
Crown Hill and Barrie	W. H. Reynolds, District Elder	25	3	28			5	20	6	8.64	4.68	7.00	3.90	2.60			
James Clink																	
Emerson Snyder		35	15	50	2	1	7	65	4	12.87	7.02	10.92	5.85	3.90			
Barckway and Severn Bridge	Samuel Rogers	72	12	84	6	1	10	75	10	17.87	9.54	14.84	7.93	5.80		73.45	36.00
Gravenhurst	S. I. Gunter	14	2	16		1	3	6	6	5.10	3.06	5.77	2.85	1.70			
Huntsville and Swinden																	
Total		614	101	715	19	4	118	688	95	\$135.80	\$100.44	\$152.53	\$88.05	\$93.88		\$74.45	\$128.07

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE EAST ONTARIO CONFERENCE—

## CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
KINGSTON DISTRICT						\$468 00					
Lansdowne.....						40 00					
Kingston, Cataraqui, Cushendall..			\$14 58		\$435 67	51 00		1	\$1150		
Wilton, Odessa, Petworth, Yarker			14 00		235 00	37 90		2	12 40		
Verona, Oak Flats, Enterprise....			18 00		338 65	47 85		2	900	1	\$600
Westport .....			11 27	\$2 00		42 27	\$260 00	1	1200		
Perth Road.....						80 28	64 14	1	700		
Maberly.....						22 77	21 92				
Vennachar and Mt Zion.....			1 27		171 92	25 18		2	500		
Bloomfield, Ridge Road, Bethesda			8 75		269 93	23 59		1	700		
HAVELOCK DISTRICT											
Gunter.....			8 48		98 65	26 54		1	500		
Beaver Creek and Rockdale.....			14 61		288 68	34 42		1	600		
Trent Bridge, Healy's Falls, etc...					17 19	39 18		2	1300		
Burnley and Warkworth.....					163 43	42 46		1	675		
TORONTO DISTRICT						*486 16					
Port Credit.....					19 70	13 65		1	500		
Toronto.....			22 37			38 48		1	1800		
Armada.....			13 00		275 00	56 32	1 30	1	600		
Belhaven and Baldwin.....			31 51		270 00	70 51	86	3	1200		
Uxbridge.....			11 85		71 38	46 74		2	1100	1	800
MUSKOKA DISTRICT											
Crown Hill and Barrie.....			5 00		157 54	35 44		1	1000		
Barkway and Severn Bridge.....			10 71		212 07	44 26		3	1600	1	600
Bracebridge, Baysville, Gravenhurst			21 66		423 57	83 99		2	900	1	600
Huntsville and Swinden.....			5 15		216 35	46 32	57 65	3	700	1	400
Total.....			\$212 21	\$2 00	\$3639 00	\$699 04	\$405 97 32		\$18825	5	\$2900

\* This includes \$50 for rent of parsonage.



# WEST ONTARIO CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session, held at Walsingham Centre, Ontario.  
October 2-5, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

J. M. EAGLE, Secretary.

J. W. WINANS, Assistant Secretary.

THOMAS A. DRURY, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, J. M. Eagle, A. H. Norrrington, Fred M. Wees.

On Claimants and Claims—E. P. Hart, A. H. Norrrington, J. M. Eagle, J. W. Stuart, T. S. Moorhouse.

On Quarterly Conference Records—A. H. Norrrington, J. W. Winans, F. M. Wees, M. O. Coates.

On Publications—A. H. Norrrington, F. M. Wees, J. M. Eagle.

On Sabbath-schools—F. M. Wees, T. L. Fletcher, J. H. Winters.

On Education—M. O. Coates, T. A. Drury, R. Hamilton.

On Reforms—A. Tice, George Evans, J. W. Stuart.

On State of the Work—J. M. Eagle, A. H. Norrrington, J. Harris, Samue Baxter.

To Publish the Minutes—The secretaries.

On Raising Funds to Publish the Minutes—David Allan.

To Receive Church Extension Fund—A. H. Norrrington.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—M. O. Coates.

To Receive General Mission Fund—Robert Hamilton.

To Receive Conference Claimants', and Foreign Mission Funds—Thomas A. Drury.

To Receive Conference Mission Fund—The district elders.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

On Home Missions and Missionary Appropriations—For the Hamilton and Brantford districts, A. H. Norrrington, J. W. Stuart. For the Tilsonburg and Sarnia disticts, J. M. Eagle, T. S. Moorhouse.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Publications—Thomas A. Drury.

On Sabbath-schools—David Allan.

On Education—M. S. Benn.

On Reforms—Robert Hamilton.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

J. M. Eagle, president; M. O. Coates, secretary; R. Hamilton, treasurer; J. H. Winter, W. A. Brown.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

T. A. Drury, for one year; J. M. Eagle, for two years; M. O. Coates, for three years.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A. H. Norrrington, president; J. M. Eagle, secretary; J. W. Stuart, treasurer; Rufus Stewart.

## ADVISORY BOARD

J. M. Eagle, president, Middlemiss, Ontario; A. H. Norrrington, secretary, Niagara Falls, Ontario; Robert Hamilton, treasurer, 174 Sheridan street, Brantford, Ontario; J. W. Stuart, Scotland, Ontario; Rufus Stewart, Hannon, Ontario.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, (1) General Superintendents' Salaries, (2) Church Extension; second quarter, (1) Conference Missions, twenty-five cents per member, (2) Evangelists' Benefit Fund; third quarter, (1) General Missions, (2) Preachers' and Delegates' Expenses to Annual Conference, fifteen cents per member; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants' Fund.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

## PREACHERS

W. H. Wilson,	J. M. Eagle,	A. H. Norrington,	David Allan,
Robert Hamilton,	T. A. Drury,	M. O. Coates,	Alpheus Tice,
F. M. Wees,	M. S. Benn,	John Timbers,	T. L. Fletcher,
W. R. Pattison.			

## DELEGATES

J. Harris,	J. T. Abrams,	Rufus Stewart,	Edwin Cridland,
J. W. Stuart,	Samuel Baxter,	J. H. Winters,	George Evans,
T. S. Moorhouse,	J. W. Winans,	Ettie Newham,	Jennie Milton,
George Moore,	W. A. Brown,	Wesby Birdsall,	Emeline Smith.

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, J. M. Eagle, A. H. Norrington, J. W. Stuart, T. S. Moorhouse.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? J. W. Haley.

4. Who remain on trial? J. A. Fletcher, E. E. Loveless, J. E. Clink.

6. Who are the deacons? David Allan, Robert Hamilton, T. A. Drury, John Timbers, M. O. Coates, F. M. Wees, T. L. Fletcher.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? M. S. Benn, from the Michigan conference; W. R. Pattison from the East Michigan conference.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? J. P. Maitland.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer? A. Tice.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$325.00.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Brantford, Ontario, not later than the second week in September, 1902.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The sixth annual session of the West Ontario conference was held in the Free Methodist church at Walsingham Centre, Ontario, October 2-5, 1901. General Superintendent E. P. Hart presided and preached three times. His sermons, together with his short addresses at the close of each sitting, were spiritual, interesting and helpful. A harmonious spirit prevailed throughout the four sittings of conference. Rev. Mr. Bailey of the Methodist church of Canada, and Rev. Mr. Geiseler of the Evangelical church, were introduced to the conference and invited to honorary seats.

Miss Emma Appling gave an interesting address on India Sunday afternoon, after which a collection of \$61.00 was taken.

An amount equal to fifteen cents per member was ordered to be raised on each circuit to defray expenses of preachers and delegates to annual conference. On Saturday afternoon the W. F. M. S. held their annual meeting and elected the following officers: President, Mary Clink, Canboro, Ontario; first vice-president, Mary Norrington, Niagara Falls, Ontario; second vice-president, Ada Forman, Hannon, Ontario; third vice-president, Matilda Sipprell, Thedford, Ontario; fourth vice-president, Eliza A. Wees, Sarnia, Ontario; secretary, Josie R. Wees, Walsingham, Ontario; treasurer, Hannah Eagle, Middlemiss, Ontario.

The following resolution was offered and adopted by the conference: We, the West Ontario conference, hereby express our disapproval of our educational institutions using the organ in their devotional exercises.

## APPOINTMENTS

**HAMILTON DISTRICT.**—A. H. NORRINGTON, District Elder, Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Hamilton .....	
....Olive Branch Mission workers, supplies, 39 King William street, Hamilton, Ontario	
Hannon .....	Ada Forman, supply, Hannon, "
Kimbo, Caistor Centre and Grimsby .....	David Allan, Kimbo, "
Canboro and Attercliffe .....	Mary Clink, Hattie Toole, supplies, Canboro, "
Ridgeway, Fort Erie and Sherkston .....	J. A. Fletcher, Ridgeway, "
Niagara Falls .....	George B. Teal, supply, Ridgeway, "
St. Anns and Welland .....	Ira Brown, supply
J. E. Clink, left without appointment at his own request.	

**BRANTFORD DISTRICT.**—A. H. NORRINGTON, District Elder.

Brantford .....	Robert Hamilton, 174 Sheridan street, Brantford, Ontario
Kelvin .....	Thomas A. Drury, Kelvin, "
Galt and Sheffield .....	E. E. Loveless, Galt, "

**TILSONBURG DISTRICT.**—J. M. EAGLE, District Elder, Middlemiss, Ontario.

Ebenezer, Otterville and Dorchester .....	M. O. Coates, Tilsonburg, Ontario
Walsingham .....	F. M. Wees, Walsingham Centre, "
Houghton and Marston .....	W. R. Pattison

**SARNIA DISTRICT.**—J. M. EAGLE, District Elder.

Sarnia .....	M. S. Benn, Box 581, Sarnia, Ontario
Thedford .....	Matilda Sipprell, supply, Thedford, Ontario; one to be supplied
Charlemont and Wallaceburg .....	T. L. Fletcher, Charlemont, Ontario
Terminus, Thornyhurst and Bickford .....	George Evans, supply, Thornyhurst, "
Dawn Mills and Shetland .....	J. A. Hamilton, supply, Dawn Mills, "
Middlemiss .....	Nancy Schantz, supply, Middlemiss, "
New Ontario Mission .....	R. Earl, supply

John Timbers, left without appointment to attend school; A. Tice, granted certificate of standing with a view to transfer.

**MANITOBA AND NORTH WEST DISTRICT.**—W. H. WILSON, District Elder.

Sintaluta .....	W. H. Wilson; Jennie Robinson, supply, Sintaluta, Assinaboia
Westview and Caron .....	J. W. Haley, Caron, "
Greenville .....	To be supplied
Belmont, Manitoba .....	To be supplied

## LOCAL PREACHERS

Josephus Harris	Charlemont, Ontario
Neil McGugan	Charlemont, "
Robert Coates	Sarnia, "
Charles Singer	Springford, "
J. E. Forman	Hannon, "
George Hoffman	Smithville, "
Henry Mellor	79 Ontario street, Brantford, "
Crawford Baird	Galt, "
J. H. Winters	Galt, "

## EVANGELISTS

Mrs. Mary A. Norrington	Niagara Falls, Ontario
Mrs. Esther Brown	Welland, "
Mrs. Alma Swayze	Kelvin, "
Mrs. D. F. Mellor	79 Ontario street, Brantford, "
Mrs. Eliza A. Wees	Sarnia, "
Mrs. Jennie Coates	Tilsonburg, "
Mrs. Josie R. Wees	Walsingham, "
Eliza H. Fletcher	Ridgway, "
Miss Emma Geary	Rosanna, "

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WEST ONTARIO CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re-ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re-ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
HAMILTON DISTRICT											
Hannon and Hamilton			\$11 43		\$255 55	\$61 06		2	\$1600	1	\$600
Kimbo and Caistor Centre			7 75		156 59	33 08		2	1000		
Canboro and Attercliffe			13 36		283 59	56 20	\$1 23	1	900		
Ridgeway and Ft. Erie					253 00	37 34		2	2300		
Niagara Falls					134 15	38 64		1	750		
BRANTFORD DISTRICT											
Brantford and Kelvin			21 64		448 02	\$1 14		2	2500	1	600
Galt, Sheffield, Berlin			11 43		229 77	39 79	1 30	2	600		
TILSONBURG DISTRICT											
Ebenezer and Dorchester			10 42		184 54	32 00		1	550		
Walsingham			9 20		280 85	40 01	1 10	1	1000	1	400
Houghton and Marston			7 71		200 00	32 00					
SARNIA DISTRICT											
Sarnia			21 84		332 10	28 18	4 89	1	1400		
Thedford			10 00		169 96	32 53		3	1000		
Dawn Mills and Shetland					250 89	53 80		2	1450		
Charlemont and Wallaceburg			11 94		350 00	65 69		1	700	1	500
Terminus and Thornyhurst			31 35		355 31	47 63		2	1000		
Middlemiss			3 65	45	193 00	25 00	5 60	1	500		
Manitoba and Northwest Mission			13 50		667 81	20 06		1	500		
Total			\$185 23	\$ 45	\$4745 13	\$714 15	\$14 12 25		\$17750	4	\$2100

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WEST ONTARIO CONFERENCE

HAMILTON, BRANTFORD, TILSONBURG AND SARNIA DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missions Societies
HAMILTON DISTRICT																		
A. H. Norrington, Dist. Elder																		
Hannon and Hamilton.....	J. E. and Ada Forman, supplies	30	6	36	1	1	1	6	31	11	\$ 8 10	\$4 95	\$6 75	\$4 05	\$2 70	.....	.....	\$13 56
Kimbo and Caistor Centre.....	N. Schantz, E. Geary, supplies	36	2	38	1	1	1	6	35	5	10 08	6 30	7 75	4 40	3 50	.....	.....	15 00
Canboro and Attercliffe.....	Mary Clink, H. Toole, supplies	34	8	42	1	1	2	13	45	6	8 10	4 85	5 80	4 00	2 70	.....	.....	18 76
Ridgeway and Ft. Erie.....	J. A. Fletcher.....	22	16	38	1	1	1	5	16	4	6 60	3 95	5 50	3 30	2 20	.....	.....	.....
Niagara Falls.....	George B. Teal, supply.....	16	1	17	1	1	1	3	20	3	3 30	1 98	2 75	1 65	1 10	.....	.....	8 35
A. H. Norrington, Dist. Elder																		
BRANTFORD DISTRICT																		
Brantford and Kelvin.....	Robert Hamilton.....	51	13	64	1	1	2	13	40	8	16 50	9 00	7 50	7 50	5 00	.....	.....	88 06
Galt, Sheffield, Berlin.....	Thomas A. Drury.....	21	4	25	2	1	1	4	20	5	6 90	4 14	5 75	3 45	2 30	.....	.....	13 65
J. M. Eagle, District Elder																		
TILSONBURG DISTRICT																		
Ebenezer and Dorchester.....	M. O. Coates.....	34	2	36	1	2	1	5	37	6	10 80	6 48	5 40	7 50	3 08	.....	.....	15 13
Walsingham.....	Fred M. Wees.....	49	2	51	1	1	1	5	26	7	17 70	10 62	11 13	8 85	5 90	.....	.....	16 25
Houghton and Marston.....	G. H. Potts, supply.....	30	1	31	1	1	2	10	72	5	8 85	5 16	7 00	3 60	2 78	.....	.....	15 57
J. M. Eagle, District Elder																		
SARNIA DISTRICT																		
Sarnia.....	A. Tice.....	21	4	25	1	1	1	9	60	4	5 70	3 42	4 75	2 85	1 90	.....	.....	14 03
Theford.....	J. A. Sipprell, A. Smith, supplies.	17	4	21	2	2	1	5	23	6	4 80	2 88	4 00	2 40	1 60	.....	.....	17 30
Dawn Mills and Shetland.....	J. A. Hamilton, supply.....	35	2	37	1	1	1	6	10	9	9 30	5 58	7 75	4 65	3 10	.....	.....	17 30
Charlemont and Wallaceburg.....	T. L. Fletcher.....	52	38	90	2	1	1	8	45	8	18 00	10 80	15 00	9 00	6 00	.....	.....	20 00
Cornwall and Thornycroft.....	David Allan.....	45	4	49	1	1	1	2	10	50	13 80	8 98	11 75	7 15	4 60	.....	.....	43 48
Midemiss.....	Ira Brown, supply.....	14	1	15	1	1	1	1	4	4	3 60	1 98	2 75	1 74	1 10	.....	.....	13 20
Manikoba and Northwest Mission.....	W. H. Wilson, J. W. Haley, and Jennie Robinson, supplies	31	10	41	1	1	2	10	24	10	3 94	2 35	3 25	1 95	1 30	.....	.....	7 40
Total.....		538	118	656	13	11	21	112	544	107	\$156 07	\$92 36	\$114 65	\$79 09	\$52 26	.....	\$2 00	\$240 89

# SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Forty-first Annual Session, held at Camden, New York, September 11-15, 1901

## OFFICERS

G. W. COLEMAN, President.

M. H. KENDRICK, Secretary.

W. H. CLARK, O. S. BAKER, C. J. TAFT, Assistant Secretaries.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—G. W. Coleman, F. W. Cathey, J. C. McDonald.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Collect Funds for Publishing the Minutes—M. S. Babcock.

On Missions and Missionary Appropriations—The stationing committee.

On Reforms—W. H. Clark, C. W. Stevens, M. N. Downing, H. L. Crockett.

On Conference Claimants and Claims—G. W. Coleman, T. Whiffen, M. H. Kendrick, C. W. Stevens, George Milem.

On Education—E. N. Jenks, O. M. Owen, O. S. Baker, C. J. Taft.

On Publications—O. S. Baker, H. W. Fish, H. A. Webster, M. N. Downing.

On Sabbath-schools—W. E. Stuart, W. E. Sitzler, L. E. Rowley, D. W. Clark.

On the State of the Work—W. E. Sitzler, M. H. Kendrick, T. Whiffen, E. N. Jenks, F. W. Cathey.

On Railroad Reduction—W. H. Clark, H. W. Fish.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—C. A. Balch, C. H. Hudson, G. L. Skinner, H. A. Webster.

To Receive Funds for Conference Claimants—C. J. Hessler, J. A. Tholens.

To Receive General Superintendents' Fund—O. O. Burley.

To Receive Funds for Conference, Foreign and General Missions—C. H. Hudson, W. J. Riker, H. W. Fish.

To Receive Church Extension Fund—F. I. Labrum.

To Receive Children's and Educational Funds—W. E. Stuart.

To Nominate Chairmen of Committees for Next Year—E. N. Jenks, M. H. Kendrick, M. S. Babcock.

Conference Treasurer—C. W. Stevens, 189 Circular street, Saratoga Springs, New York.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

W. H. Clark, O. M. Owen, W. J. Riker, C. W. Stevens, J. C. Collier.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

W. H. Clark, Z. Osborne, O. P. Ray, term expires 1902.

M. T. Marriott, C. W. Stevens, William Finch, term expires 1903.

W. E. Sitzler, M. N. Downing, H. A. Rhodes, term expires 1904.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

W. H. Clark, for three years; T. Whiffen, for two years; M. H. Kendrick, for one year.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Reforms—M. N. Downing.

On Education—H. L. Crockett.

On Sunday-schools—W. E. Sitzler.

On Publications—O. M. Owen.

On State of the Work—W. H. Clark.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?



## PREACHERS

M. N. Downing,	J. Olney,	Z. Osborne,	J. B. Stacy,
J. W. Sawyer,	T. Whiffen,	O. M. Owen,	Levi Kelly,
J. D. Osmun,	L. S. King,	W. H. Clark,	A. Smith,
W. Crossman,	O. N. Frink,	M. T. Marriott,	J. C. Kennedy,
D. O. Stanton,	W. J. Riker,	J. A. Tholens,	T. C. Givens,
F. J. Dunham,	O. S. Baker,	F. W. Cathey,	M. H. Kendrick,
D. W. Clark,	W. E. Sitzler,	M. S. Babcock,	W. E. Stuart,
C. H. Hudson,	F. I. Labrum,	Perry Ball,	H. W. Fish,
H. A. Webster,	J. E. Tiffany,	G. M. Dunham,	E. N. Jenks,
L. Bane,	C. A. Balch,	G. S. Ooons,	C. J. Hessler,
O. O. Burley,	H. L. Crockett,	B. J. Austin,	G. L. Skinner,
F. S. Shaw,	J. H. Gramps,	S. Ghent.	

## DELEGATES

Frances Stover,	Janette Osmun,	Eva Dresser,	Lorenzo Bolles,
A. Tucker,	H. A. Moore,	C. W. Stevens,	H. S. Hall,
B. Russell,	J. Gustavison,	Edgar Holden,	Katharine Shaw,
Minnie Holbert,	Nancy Ferguson,	Cleve Jackson,	G. Van Wagner,
C. J. Taft,	E. E. Pennock,	William Fairfield,	E. N. Jenks,
Henry Rhodes,	L. E. Rowley,	H. B. Philleo,	A. G. Chapman,
Anna Christman,	A. S. Foster,	George Milem,	J. C. McDonald,
Jacob Collier,	William Ray,	Dennis Labar.	John Buerman,

2. Who are the stationing committee? G. W. Coleman, T. Whiffen, M. H. Kendrick, F. W. Cathey, E. N. Jenks, C. W. Stevens, L. E. Rowley, A. S. Foster, George Milem.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? J. D. Jenkins, J. G. Cole.

4. Who remain on trial? None.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? F. S. Shaw, J. H. Gramps, S. Ghent.

6. Who are the deacons? F. S. Shaw, J. H. Gramps, S. Ghent.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? G. L. Skinner.

8. Who have located this year? None.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? J. D. Osmun.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn out preachers? J. Olney, J. B. Stacy, Z. Osborne, J. C. Kennedy, J. W. Sawyer, W. Crossman, L. S. King, Levi Kelly, D. W. Clark.

11. Who have been received by transfer, and from what conference? None.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? F. E. Fitch, W. J. Whiffen.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? J. E. Tiffany.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16-23. See reports and statistics.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Corning, New York, as near the middle of September, 1902, as may be consistent with the plans of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The forty-first annual session was held in the Free Methodist church at Camden, New York. General Superintendent G. W. Coleman presided. The Lord's Supper was administered in connection with the opening exercises.

M. H. Kendrick was re-elected secretary, and W. H. Clark, O. S. Baker and C. J. Taft assistants. W. H. Clark, T. Whiffen and M. H. Kendrick were elected district elders, but T. Whiffen resigned and F. W. Cathey was elected in his place. G. L. Skinner was ordained elder, and F. S. Shaw, J. H. Gramps, S. Ghent and Edgar Holden were ordained deacons.

The conference collections were ordered taken as follows: First quarter, General Missions; second quarter, Conference Missions, (twenty cents per member), Church Extension; third quarter, Conference Claimants' and Foreign Missions; fourth quarter, General Superintendents'. The amount required for each collection per member, not designated above, will appear in due time in the *Free Methodist*.

Collections taken at the conference were: For Gerry Home, about \$80; foreign missions, a little over \$100; secretaries' expenses, \$7.50; deficiencies in conference collections, \$40.00; for resident pastor (the secretary failed to ascertain the amount).

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society held its annual public meeting on Sunday afternoon, at which our returned missionary, Rev. H. L. Crockett, delivered a very interesting and profitable address.

A rousing Prohibition meeting was held Friday evening, which was addressed by several ministers of the conference. J. S. Bradbrook presented the interests of the Gerry Home Saturday evening.

The following named brethren were introduced, and, together with all the supplies in the conference, were invited to honorary seats: F. A. Perkins, of the East Michigan conference; M. W. Fuller and J. S. Bradbrook of the Genesee conference; W. R. Tamblin, of the New York conference; Rev. Mr. Richards, resident pastor of the M. E. church; F. Morrill of the Salvation Army.

A vote of thanks was tendered the presiding officer, the resident pastor, the secretaries, and the friends who had so hospitably entertained the conference.

## APPOINTMENTS

BINGHAMTON DISTRICT—M. H. KENDRICK, District Elder, Cortland, New York.

Binghamton and Union .....	F. I. Labrum, 9 Cherry street, Binghamton, New York
Ithaca .....	W. E. Stuart, 441 North Tioga street, Ithaca, " "
Cortland and Summerhill .....	O. M. Owen, Cortland, " "
Norwich .....	W. R. Tamblin, supply, Hamilton, " "
North Pharsalia .....	G. M. Dunham, North Pharsalia, " "
Edmeston and Pleasant Valley .....	To be supplied

J. D. Osmun, supernumerary, Ithaca, New York; L. S. King, superannuated, Edmeston, New York.

CORNING DISTRICT—M. H. KENDRICK, District Elder.

Corning and Curtis .....	H. W. Fish, Corning, New York
Pettigrove S. H., East and West Caton .....	J. H. Gramps, West Caton, " "
Atlanta, East and West Italy Hill .....	J. D. Jenkins, Atlanta, " "
Painter Run, Tioga and Mann's Creek, Pennsylvania .....	
.....	C. H. Hudson, Painter Run, Pennsylvania
Elkland and Osceola, Pennsylvania .....	G. L. Skinner, Osceola, " "
Lindley .....	To be supplied
Dansville and Burns .....	To be supplied
Sayre, Pennsylvania .....	To be supplied

Levi Kelly, superannuated, Tioga, Pennsylvania; J. W. Sawyer, superannuated, Corning, New York.

CLYDE DISTRICT.—F. W. CATHEY, District Elder, Camden, New York.

Rose and Clyde .....	W. J. Riker, Rose, Wayne county, New York
Alton and Wallington .....	E. N. Jenks, Alton, " "
East Williamson .....	F. A. Perkins, supply, East Williamson, " "
Ontario .....	G. W. VanArsdale, supply, Ontario, " "
West Webster .....	M. T. Marriott, West Webster. " "
Fairport .....	To be supplied
W. Crossman, superannuated, Fairport, New York; J. B. Stacy, superannuated, Alton, New York; J. Olney, superannuated, Bushnell's Basin, New York; F. J. Dunham, left without appointment at his request, Williamson, New York.	

SYRACUSE DISTRICT.—F. W. CATHEY, District Elder.

Syracuse and Pompey .....	To be supplied
Fulton .....	J. A. Tholens, Fulton, New York
Chittenango Station and Oneida .....	T. C. Givens, Chittenango Station, " "
North Syracuse and Stone Arabia .....	B. J. Austin, 507 Wilbur avenue, Syracuse, " "
Auburn, Weedsport and Port Byron .....	F. S. Shaw, Weedsport, " "
Oswego and Lewis S. H. ....	To be supplied
Z. Osborne, superannuated, 206 Furman street, Syracuse, New York; A. Smith, evangelist, 908 South State street, Syracuse, New York; L. Bane, left without appointment at his request, 823 East Genesee street, Syracuse, New York; O. N. Frink, left without appointment at his request, 318 Burt street, Syracuse, New York; J. E. Tiffany, granted certificate of standing with a view to transfer, Rushford, New York.	

BLACK RIVER DISTRICT.—F. W. CATHEY, District Elder.

Watertown .....	J. G. Cole, Watertown, New York
Gouverneur, Emeryville and Fullerville .....	S. Ghent, Emeryville, " "
Black River and Carthage .....	F. Morrill, supply, Black River, " "
Clayton .....	To be supplied
J. C. Kennedy, superannuated, Watertown, New York.	

UTICA DISTRICT.—W. H. CLARK, District Elder, Saratoga Springs, New York.

Utica .....	M. N. Downing, 35 Linwood place, Utica, New York
Camden .....	T. Whiffen, Camden, " "
Rome .....	W. E. Sitzler, 317 West Embargo street, Rome, " "
Herkimer and Ilion .....	O. S. Baker, Herkimer, " "
Scotchbush and Middle Sprite .....	To be supplied

SARATOGA DISTRICT.—W. H. CLARK, District Elder.

Saratoga Springs .....	H. L. Crockett, 206 Regent street, Saratoga Springs, New York
Glens Falls .....	G. S. Coons, Glens Falls, " "
Corinth .....	H. A. Webster, Corinth, " "
Bolton, Warrensburg and South Horicon .....	R. Palmer, supply, Bolton, " "
Johnsburg .....	S. Fuller, supply, Johnsburg, " "
Gloversville and Johnstown .....	M. S. Babcock
Charlottesville, Jefferson and Titus Hill .....	O. O. Burley, Charlottesville, New York
Fox Hill .....	To be supplied
Troy and Bath .....	To be supplied

BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—W. H. CLARK, District Elder.

Burlington, Essex and Waterville .....	D. C. Stanton, 23 Center street, Burlington, Vermont
St. Armand Centre, Province of Quebec and St. Albans, Vermont .....	
.....	C. A. Balch; with B. Russell, supply, Pigeon Hill, Province of Quebec
Clarenceville, Province of Quebec .....	C. J. Hessler, Clarenceville, Province of Quebec

## SUPPLIES

R. Palmer.....	Bolton, New York
G. W. Van Arsdale.....	Ontario, " "
B. Russell.....	Pigeon Hill, Province of Quebec
F. Morrill.....	Black River, New York

## LOCAL PREACHERS

Peter VanDyke.....	Emerson Place, Binghamton, New York
Enos Assletine.....	Swanton, Vermont
Edgar DeHolden, A. B.....	St. Armand Centre, Province of Quebec, Canada
O. P. Ray.....	Burlington, Vermont
F. L. Parsons.....	Essex Junction, " "
V. M. Foskett.....	Ilion, New York
C. E. Christman.....	301 Green street, Herkimer, " "
S. I. Folts.....	11 Bellinger street, Herkimer, " "
Jacob Callier.....	East Williamson, " "
C. W. Stevens.....	189 Circular street, Saratoga Springs, " "
S. M. Wilbur.....	150 Kingsbury avenue, Gloversville, " "
Clark Leek.....	108 West Fulton street, Johnstown, " "
Harvey Perkins.....	Alton, Wayne county, " "
Clinton J. Taft.....	Fulton, " "
George Milem.....	Rose, Wayne county, " "
L. E. Rowley.....	Emeryville, " "
A. B. Burdick.....	Lafayette street, Saratoga Springs, " "
C. E. Beeman.....	Union, Broome county, " "
William Sullivan.....	Emerson Place, Binghamton, " "
Orin Fero.....	Curtis, " "
L. M. Orcutt.....	Canaseraga, " "

## EVANGELISTS

Mary E. Chynoweth.....	31 Rural avenue, Gloversville, New York
Mrs. E. S. Clark.....	Saratoga Springs, " "
Janette Osmun.....	North Cayuga street, Ithaca, " "
Mrs. L. B. Bishop.....	30 North Betling street, Burlington, Vermont
Emeretta Beeman.....	Union, Broome county, New York
Thirza M. Milem.....	Rose, Wayne county, " "
Asenath Sullivan.....	Emerson Place, Binghamton, " "
Florence H. Deyle.....	Ilion, " "
Laura J. Santmier.....	Waverly, Pennsylvania

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Apportioned and paid, \$417.60.

Claims for the coming year: L. S. King, \$150; Z. Osborne, \$150; L. Kelley, \$150; Mrs. R. M. Snyder, \$130; J. Olney, \$130; J. W. Sawyer, \$100; Mrs. A. Dempsey, \$120; W. Crossman, \$100; Mrs. George Stover, \$100; Mrs. A. F. Curry, \$100; J. B. Stacy, \$90; D. W. Clark, \$80; J. C. Kennedy, \$50; Mrs. P. E. Newton, \$45; Mrs. Newton's child, \$15. Total, \$1,510.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Apportioned, \$278.40.

Paid, \$225.82; deficit, \$52.58. Total, \$278.40.

The amount on hand was disbursed as follows: D. C. Stanton, \$30.82; G. L. Skinner, \$30; H. L. Orockett, \$25; H. A. Webster, \$20; W. E. Sitzler, \$20; C. J. Hessler, \$20; C. A. Balch, \$20; S. Ghent, \$15; O. O. Burley, \$15; R. Palmer, \$15; G. W. Van Arsdale, \$15.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Apportioned, \$250.56. Deficiency last year, by mistake, \$3.68. Total due, \$254.24.

Cash and receipts, \$224.69. Raised Sunday morning at conference, \$29.55. Total, \$254.24.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Apportioned, \$139.20.

Raised, 88.85; deficit, \$50.35. Total, \$139.20.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Amount raised, \$166.98; raised by W. F. M. S., \$348.26; cash raised Sunday afternoon at conference, \$27. Total, \$542.24.

CHILDREN'S FUND.—\$37.33.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—\$13.56.

FOR PUBLISHING THE MINUTES.—Amount raised, \$32.50.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Apportioned, \$208.80.

Raised, \$172.13; deficit, \$36.67. Total, \$208.80.

## II.—ON REFORMS.

The gospel of Jesus Christ contains the principles, and hence furnishes the standard and authority of all true reforms.

Its teachings present a complete and symmetrical ethical system which regulates all relationships, and prescribes the duties and responsibilities which pertain to each. Commencing with the individual, it extends its maxims to the farthest bound of human association.

The organized church of Christ being composed of those individuals who profess to have received this system of revealed truth, and to regulate their lives thereby, should ever stand as the living embodiment of its principles and the exponent of righteousness in all its personal, social and civic relationships. Any position less absolute and comprehensive, reproaches herself and dishonors the gospel of which the church is the visible expression. Declared to be a "chaste virgin," the betrothed bride of the Son of God, the church, should walk with spotless garments and undefiled hands, "clear as the sun, fair as the moon," and hence, "terrible as an army with banners."

Reform means to form again, and in its very significance implies the existence or dominance of wrong. The church being the professed embodiment of righteousness, she must be in antagonism with wrong of every kind, and should be found in the van of every true reform movement. It is a surprising but true statement that, in all ages, true reforms have both sprung from and found their greatest hindrances in the church itself. Its alarmingly compromised attitude at the present forms one of the darkest elements of these cloudy times.

Reforms are in order everywhere. The deranged, disordered and destructive conditions abounding on every side demand the most profound thought, the most earnest effort, and sincere prayers of all who "love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity," and pray for the coming of his kingdom.

The most gigantic evil of our land and time is undoubtedly the organized, legalized liquor traffic. Whether viewed in the magnitude of its organized, widely extended, and extending sway, its inherent viciousness, or the blasting desolation of every holy or hopeful thing which lies in its black path, it is the monster iniquity of the present or past ages. It is at once the source and sum of all villainies, the blight of all blessedness, and the blackest and most efficient device for ruin Satan ever persuaded a deceived and blinded people to accept or endure. It exists everywhere from the White House to the hovel, and flows in straight streams from the Capitol to the city slums. Men charged with the most serious affairs of state, deliberate on questions of national or world-wide importance while under



its influence; and the chief executives themselves, often professed followers of the Christ, by example and official action lend the weight of their exalted position to its extension and perpetuation.

It, with its associate debauchery, is more to be dreaded for our armies than the bullets of the enemy, or the miasmas of oriental jungles. Not content with defiling our original fair and wide inheritance, it is determinedly fastening its ruinous and despotic sway over the newly acquired possessions, and gives a darker outlook for dependent peoples than the Spanish tyranny from which we profess to have emancipated them. Drunkenness and debauchery go hand in hand, and licensed prostitution follows hard in the wake of licensed intemperance. The seal of this great and professedly Christian government is today deliberately set to the contract which sells for sordid gold the manhood, womanhood, and childhood of its nation and its dependencies to the vilest infamies.

What then, is the becoming and proper attitude of the church in reference to this enormous iniquity? Clearly, any other than direct, aggressive, and determined antagonism, is an insult to the Christ upon whose atonement, the foundations of the structure rest. To sell for gold, souls redeemed with sacred blood, is immeasurable in its infamy, and cries for the interposition and vengeance of heaven. Compared with its blackness, the worship which brought judgment at Sinai is snowy white, and it may not be too much to assume that the minority who protest and pray, may be holding back the well deserved destruction.

Voice and vote should go hand in hand, the former to influence others, and the latter to determine our own attitude and register a protest against the godless complicity of government in its own destruction. Not the voice, but the vote of the citizen determines his political value. Church assemblies unite in declaring that no political party has a right to expect, or should receive the support of any Christian voter, which does not plainly declare war against the monster evil. We approve the declaration and purpose to make it practical. We are glad to believe that the voting membership of the Free Methodist church is almost solidly in line on this important question. For the feeble minority we will pray and labor.

The gospel of Jesus Christ solicits adherents with unveiled face and open hand. It invites the most searching scrutiny of its claims and provisions antecedent to acceptance. We find here a sufficient warrant for the attitude the Free Methodist church has assumed in reference to oath-bound secret organizations. The great underlying principle is the same in all, while all are not equally reprehensible. This principle is plainly opposed to the frank, open-faced proposals of the gospel. We believe we should steadfastly adhere to the position assumed, and continue to reject all secret orders whatever their avowed purpose.

No true reform needs to enshroud itself. Righteousness can walk abroad at noonday, and while secrecy is not proof positive of wrong, it affords sufficient ground for suspicion. Truth does not need the shades of night or secrecy to make attractive or give it force.

While we recognize that some embarrassments may follow, and some otherwise valuable accessions to the church must be relinquished, we believe it were better so than to risk the insweep of secrecy which would follow the opening of the door to any. We insist that every Free Methodist preacher is in the highest degree disloyal to the church and his vows who knowingly fails to insist on the rule of Discipline governing this matter.

The holy Sabbath is an ancient, divine institution, sacred in itself, and a permanent safeguard of human liberties and purity of government.

We view with profound regret and alarm the rapid and increasing breaking down of this barrier against tyranny and oppression. It is alarming also to witness the eagerness in this direction of the very classes who most need its protection. We believe the sanctity of the Sabbath remains unchanged, and that its twofold significance under the Christian dispensation adds to rather than decreases its authority. Its necessity is even greater in this vigorous, rushing age than in the past. The Supreme Legislator in its enactment regarded not only his own glory, but the well-being of his human children.

A diminishing regard is apparent not only for the Sabbath in itself, but also for the conscience and peace of the very large number who yet hold it sacred and would regard it



as a holy day. The opening of resorts which implies the flocking thither of vast crowds of pleasure seekers, is not only a violation of a divine precept but tends directly and strongly to degrade and unchurch the masses. It tends to relax conviction along all lines and hence opens the way for wholesale license.

The professed church is not clear in this matter, and we fear that even among our own people, there is in some cases at least a relaxing of conscience in this direction. Not only should the members of the church carefully observe the Sabbath themselves, but should insist that all members of their households show a decent regard for the day. Among us as elsewhere, there is a serious and alarming laxness in household government.

It is wholly unbecoming for members of the church to be in the house of God and engaged in his worship, while minor children roam the fields, play ball, use kodaks, and otherwise manifest a disregard for the Sabbath.

We will personally and sacredly observe the Sabbath, insist upon it in our families, and do our utmost to enforce its observance properly among all our people. We will faithfully declare the whole truth in the matter, and steadfastly protest against its minor and common disregard. And if there be any other thing which is contrary to sound doctrine, and which needs reforming we will put our hands thereto in the name of Jesus Christ, and upon the authority of his all embracing gospel.



# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

SYRACUSE, BLACK RIVER, UTICA AND CLYDE DISTRICTS

SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE

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CHARGE	PREACHER		Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claim	General Superin-	Conference Mis-	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to Gen-	Foreign Mission	Woman's Foreign
SYRACUSE DISTRICT																			
Syracuse and Pompey.																			
Watson	O. N. Frink	40	10	50	2	1	1	1	18	88	6	\$13 00	\$ 7 92	\$3 75	\$1 00	50	.....	\$ 1 13	\$ 8 51
Watson	J. A. Tholens	38	5	38	1	1	1	1	10	33	6	14 52	3 96	2 76	6 60	20	.....	.....	.....
Watson	B. J. Givens	27	3	27	1	1	1	1	8	13	2	7 26	3 56	4 41	3 30	20	.....	.....	.....
Watson	B. J. Austin	21	3	21	1	1	1	1	8	13	2	6 93	3 53	3 04	3 15	100	.....	.....	.....
Watson	F. S. Shaw	40	8	48	2	2	2	2	11	23	3	1 10	0 66	7 70	5 66	3 70	.....	.....	.....
Watson	Supplied	19	1	20	1	1	1	1	5	10	3	3 44	1 88	2 05	1 56	1 04	.....	.....	.....
BLACK RIVER DISTRICT																			
Watertown and Black River.																			
Gouverneur, Emeryville, Fullerville.	T. Whiffen, District Elder	25	1	25	1	1	1	1	3	60	5	7 50	4 50	2 00	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carthage	W. J. Whiffen	19	1	20	1	1	1	1	4	26	2	5 61	3 04	2 00	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Clayton	S. Ghent	5	5	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Supplied	4	4	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
UTICA DISTRICT																			
Utica.																			
Camden	F. W. Cathey, District Elder	46	1	47	1	1	1	1	6	35	7	10 00	5 00	5 00	7 50	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Rome	O. S. Baker	44	3	47	1	1	1	1	9	45	5	14 40	8 44	9 60	7 20	4 80	.....	.....	.....
Herkimer	F. W. Cathey	50	3	53	1	1	1	1	8	30	10	16 25	9 72	10 30	8 10	2 40	.....	.....	.....
Scotchbush and Middle Sprin	M. S. Babcock	36	1	37	3	1	1	1	7	25	3	12 21	7 00	5 55	5 55	3 70	.....	.....	.....
Oneida	M. N. Downing	37	9	46	1	1	1	1	5	16	1	11 55	6 30	7 00	5 25	3 30	.....	.....	.....
	R. Palmer, supply	6	6	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Supplied	6	6	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
CLYDE DISTRICT																			
Rose and Clyde																			
Alton	E. N. Jenks, District Elder	46	3	49	1	1	1	1	5	25	14	17 49	9 54	9 00	7 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....
East Williamson	W. J. Riker	70	8	78	1	1	1	1	14	125	8	20 79	11 34	12 60	9 45	6 30	.....	.....	.....
West Webster	D. W. Clark	34	1	35	1	1	1	1	7	40	5	9 90	5 40	6 00	4 50	3 00	.....	.....	.....
Ontario	G. M. Marriot	28	1	29	1	1	1	1	9	50	4	9 90	5 10	6 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairport	G. M. Dunham	24	1	25	1	1	1	1	7	60	4	8 91	4 96	5 40	4 05	80	.....	.....	.....
	Supplied	10	10	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total		1388	158	1546	24	8	46	379	1679	206	\$415 16	\$224 33	\$229 43	\$176 71	\$90 15	\$167 00	\$348 25		

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE—

## CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
BINGHAMTON DISTRICT						\$654 69					
Binghamton and Union.....		\$1 04	\$40 18		\$570 12	59 77	\$23 02	2	\$ 4070	1	\$3500
Ithaca.....			15 00		513 00	29 53		1	2000	1	3000
Cortland and Summerhill.....	\$1 36	1 36	24 18		614 79	57 26	31 25	2	3000	1	1200
Norwich.....		1 03	7 25		445 02	55 00		1	1500	1	1000
North Pharsalia.....	13	24	5 40		227 25	10 00		1	1000	2	650
Edmeston and Pleasant Valley.....					76 00			2	1000	1	700
SARATOGA DISTRICT											
Saratoga Springs.....	1 00	1 00	42 07		649 84	97 85	30 00	1	7200	1	2000
Glens Falls.....		3 00	12 00		455 04	50 02		1	1000		
Corlith.....	25	65		\$1 50	237 90	38 59	18 00	1	1500		
Bolton, Warrensburg, etc.....		64	10 00		233 88	22 07		1	1000		
Gloversville and Johnstown.....		1 50	21 61	4 00	189 74	53 36					
Charlotteville, Jefferson, Titus Hill						18 65		3	1700		
Batchellerville and Fox Hill.....						12 29					
Lansburg and Bath.....											
BURLINGTON DISTRICT											
Burlington and Essex.....			10 40		419 34	44 62					
St. Armand's Center, P. Q., etc.....			12 54	1 00	319 60	52 00	44 22				
Clarenceville, P. Q.....	50	50	15 97		345 12	26 87		1	1200		
CORNING DISTRICT						487 46					
Corning and East Caton.....	90	1 10	30 55		380 07	50 00	26 41	2	3000	1	1500
West Caton, Pettigrove S. H., etc.	3 15	3 79	21 15	60	434 19	65 20		2	1800	2	1500
Atlanta and Italyhill.....			21 90		400 00	55 69		3	3000		
Dansville and Burns.....						23 38		1	800		
Mill Creek, Tioga, etc.....	1 00		14 50		315 37	26 86		1	1000	1	600
Elkland and Osceola.....			21 40		270 00	29 28	60 00	1	1250		
Sayre, Pa.....						12 39					
SYRACUSE DISTRICT											
Syracuse and Pompey.....	2 00	2 05	60 00		300 00	46 18		1	3500		
Fulton.....		1 30			407 12	31 00		1	1000	1	1200
Chittenango Station.....	50	2 00	20 70		461 12	29 42		1	1000	1	1000
North Syracuse and Stone Arabia	75	1 30	7 84		275 00	23 58		1	1000		
Auburn, Weedsport, Port Byron.....		2 19	8 60		525 10	24 85	3 75	3	3700		
Oswego and Lewis school-house.....						13 03		1	1200	1	800
BLACK RIVER DISTRICT											
Watertown and Black River...					179 50			2	3500	1	1000
Gouverneur, Emeryville, Fullerville	1 00	1 00	11 75		201 85	21 88		1	200		
Carthage.....							2 68				
Clayton.....											
UTICA DISTRICT											
Utica.....			26 89		520 31	12 40	22 89	1	10000	1	3000
Camden.....		1 25	28 10	75	528 39			1	3000	1	2000
Rome.....		1 50	31 98		550 00	12 02		1	3000	2	3000
Herkimer.....		1 00	28 00		525 00		11 77	2	4000	1	2000
Scotchbush and Middle Sprite		3 01			317 44	21 17		2	2000	1	500
Oneida.....											
CLYDE DISTRICT											
Rose and Clyde.....		1 75	13 90		412 12	5 00		1	2000	1	600
Alton.....	1 02	2 13	36 70		502 28	39 68		1	2500	1	1000
East Williamson.....		2 00	14 46		267 49	3 63		1	2500	1	1000
West Webster.....			22 13		347 33			1	900	1	900
Ontario.....			22 50		157 60	6 58	3 00	1	1000	1	800
Fairport.....											
Total.....	\$13 56	\$38 33	\$659 65	\$7 85	13573 92	\$1187 10	\$276 99	50	\$83020	27	\$34460

# PITTSBURG CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Session held at New Brighton, Pennsylvania,  
October 2-6, 1901.

## OFFICERS

G. W. COLEMAN, President.	
J. F. SILVER, Secretary.	W. G. LONG, Assistant Secretary.
T. J. BALDRIGE, Statistical Secretary.	J. F. SILVER, Railroad Secretary.
A. LENKERD, Treasurer.	R. A. ZAHNISER, Assistant Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—G. W. Coleman, J. B. Easton, A. D. Zahniser.  
On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.  
To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—J. H. Whiteman.  
On Examining Quarterly Conference Records—William Wilson, G. B. Lambert.  
On Conference Missions—The stationing committee.  
On Sabbath-schools—D. G. Shirer, R. H. Bentley, T. J. Baldrige.  
On Reforms—A. Wilson, E. S. Zahniser, Samuel Smith.  
On Publications—F. Retzer, B. Hosbach, A. D. Zahniser.  
On Education—A. F. Foust, G. B. Lambert, C. W. Stamp.  
On Claimants and Claims—George W. Coleman, J. Barnhart, C. W. Stamp, T. J. Baldrige, G. B. Lambert.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

E. S. Zahniser, three years; A. Wilson, two years; T. R. Wayne, one year.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A. D. Zahniser, J. Barnhart, C. W. Stamp, M. Flocker, T. A. Cunningham.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

J. Barnhart, president; T. J. Baldrige, secretary; A. Lenkerd, treasurer; C. W. Stamp, G. B. Lambert.

## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First quarter, General Missions and Church Extension; second quarter, General Superintendents' Claim and Delegates' Expenses to General Conference; third quarter, Conference Claimants' Fund; fourth quarter, Conference Missions.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

J. Barnhart,	R. H. Bentley,	W. A. Sellaw,	A. D. Zahniser,
R. H. Freshwater,	E. S. Zahniser,	T. R. Wayne,	E. E. Shelhamer,
J. B. Easton,	H. A. Baldwin,	L. C. Andre,	A. F. Foust,
J. F. Silver,	H. L. Speer,	A. Wilson,	W. G. Long,
R. A. Zahniser,	A. Lenkerd,	W. W. Spiker,	J. W. Howard,
Charles Fish,	C. W. Stamp,	B. Hosbach,	A. H. M. Zahniser,
D. G. Shirer,	William Wilson,	F. N. Fox,	C. F. Johnston,
J. H. Whiteman,	Paul Foy,	F. W. Boettner,	

## DELEGATES

W. I. Scott,	V. S. Hobaugh,	Oliver Long,	Dora Budden,
Lydia Shirey,	Lizzie Bergman,	Brooks Morgan,	James Hughes,
J. Grover,	Bessie Robinson,	George Wetzel,	Drusilla Rink,
Emma Slater,	Fred Retzer,	Robert A. Allison,	G. W. Paul,
T. J. Baldrige,	Samuel L. Smith,	G. B. Lambert,	A. A. Starr,
Nancy Riley,	Laura Lamb,	Mrs. John Gray,	William Ehrhart,
L. A. Southworth,	Paul Stewart,	Alice Arnold,	Mrs. L. B. Jeffries,
W. H. Grant,	V. Geisey,	Portser S. Kunkle,	Mrs. Mary Peterson,
Mrs. Barbara Brock,	Isabella Garrow.		

2. Who are the stationing committee? G. W. Coleman, J. Barnhart, A. D. Zahniser, C. W. Stamp, H. A. Baldwin, T. J. Baldrige, Samuel Smith, G. B. Lambert, Brooks Morgan.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? J. N. McKim, J. A. Reinschmidt.

4. Who remain on trial? G. C. Wadding, C. E. Phipps, G. L. Coughron, William Virgo, Robert Large.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? F. N. Fox, C. F. Johnston, J. H. Whiteman, Paul Foy, F. W. Boettner.

6. Who are the deacons? J. W. Howard, B. Hosbach, A. H. M. Zahniser, \*F. N. Fox, \*C. F. Johnston, \*J. H. Whiteman, \*Paul Foy, \*F. W. Boettner, E. R. Smith (local), \*L. A. Southworth (local), \*Frederick Retzer (local), Charles Fish, C. L. Wright (local).

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? R. A. Zahniser, A. Lenkerd, W. W. Spiker.

8, 9. None.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? None.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? None.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? F. F. Shoup, J. P. Brodhead, F. N. Fox.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See statistical reports.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? No claimants.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Vandergrift Heights, Pennsylvania, as near the third Wednesday of September, 1902, as can be arranged by the general superintendents.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## I.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$198.00.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Cash and receipts, \$165.00.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$330.00.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Cash and receipts, \$110.00.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Cash and receipts, \$42.90.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Cash, \$155.74.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$11.94.

\*Ordained this year.



CHILDREN'S FUND.—Cash and receipts, \$5.20.

SICK FUND FOR UNMARRIED FEMALE WORKERS.—Cash, \$21.31.

## II.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

Your committee on publications submit the following report: There are a great many grave questions of to-day that confront us, among which is the liquor problem; and while this is the cause of much crime it is far from being the only cause. We believe that the vile literature of to-day is a thing to be dreaded nearly, if not altogether, as much as the liquor traffic, although not so much is said concerning it. Were we to trace the source of many a fiendish crime it would be found at the door of these vile productions of hell.

“Vice is a monster of so frightful mien,  
As to be hated needs but to be seen;  
Yet seen too oft, familiar with her face,  
We first endure, then pity, then embrace.”

—Pope.

Unless something is done to stay this awful carnival of vice, we have great reason to fear for the future of the rising generation of both sexes; therefore we strongly urge that we place in every home our own publications, such as the *Free Methodist*, which is a clean cut holiness paper. While a person may be a Christian, he cannot be an intelligent Free Methodist without it. However, we regret that the editorial space has been given so largely to secular matter such as is found in our daily and weekly papers. We would recommend that such space be given to more spiritual reading. Of all the hymns and songs afloat to-day there are none so lasting and so inspiring as those found in the Free Methodist hymn book, and it should be used in all our public services on the Sabbath day. Our Discipline should be in every Free Methodist family. Our Sabbath-school supplies we consider the most wholesome, cleanest, and best in every way. None of our schools can afford to do without them. In some places there is a lack of interest in missionary work. The *Missionary Tidings* should be taken to bring before our minds the real condition of the heathen and what is being done by our missionaries. We urge as a whole that our people patronize our own publishing house with all of its interests as far as possible.

## III.—ON EDUCATION.

Your committee on education would submit the following report: Recognizing the importance of thorough training for the Christian ministry, we as a conference are pleased to note the general interest taken in this department of the great work devolving upon us as a church. We appreciate the value of our institutions of learning. Their high standards of education, their hallowed influences, place them in the front ranks of Christian schools. It is the purpose of our seminaries to present every student “perfect before God,” and to this end the work is conducted. We urge upon the members of our church the great importance of sending their children to our own schools.

We would also note the benefit derived from the new system of examinations adopted by the last general conference, and trust it will be continued with the exception of the preliminary course, the requirements of which we consider a little too exacting, and would suggest a slight modification.

We rejoice that God has given to the Pittsburg conference so many fine young men who seem determined to make the most of their God-given faculties. We would recommend that at least six hours per day be devoted to close study and reading.

## IV.—ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Sabbath-schools submit the following report: We recognize the importance of Sabbath-school work, not among the young only, but the old as well. All our people should be interested in the study of the word of God in the Sabbath-school. There is need of deeper interest in this work, and we earnestly urge attention to this subject. A failure to instruct our children in the distinctive doctrines of Christianity as we understand Bible teaching, and as is set forth in our church standards, will eventually result in the loss of our children to our own church. We are constantly reaping the fruits of neglect. We insist upon Free Methodist Sunday-schools for Free Methodists and their children, and for all others whom we may influence.

We insist upon the use of such literature as is duly approved by our church. The Sabbath-school should not be a place of mere entertainment or pleasure, but a place for definite religious instruction having for its object the immediate salvation of souls, and correct training in practical Christianity. No person holding views not in harmony with the doctrine and teaching of our church should be permitted to hold office or teach in our schools. These points must be well guarded or we shall soon drift into the way of popular methods.

Close attention to the foregoing thought will result in a deeper interest in Sunday-school work, and in general prosperity to our Zion.

## V.—ON REFORMS.

Your committee submit the following report: Unrelenting opposition is our attitude toward sin and worldliness in all its forms and manifestations. The lapse of time has not effaced our convictions nor lessened our courage.

1. **THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.**—The liquor traffic, hell's greatest invention, is still doing its murderous and soul-destroying business. We recognize the ballot as the most effective instrument for the annihilation of this evil, and we recommend its use to all men everywhere, and especially to our own membership.

2. **SECRET SOCIETIES.**—We believe the secret lodge is an enemy to righteousness, justice and liberty, and one of our greatest foes as a church. We regard all oath-bound organizations as unnecessary and evil; their good deeds and religious ceremonies as sacrilege in the sight of a holy God. We recommend that our ministers preach on this subject at least once a year.

3. **SABBATH DESECRATION.**—It is with sadness we view the desecration of God's holy day by Sunday excursions, so-called church trains, running of cars, balloon ascensions, Sunday dinners, and the like. We call upon our ministers to lift up their voice like a trumpet and show the people their sins that God may be honored and his day revered.

4. **DRESS.**—Humility is one of the most blessed fruits of the Spirit; its opposite is pride. We can conceive the possibility of persons donning plain apparel without having the grace of God in the heart, but we cannot understand how persons can be truly humble and constantly manifest the evidences of pride in the clothing they wear. We would caution our sisters against wearing lace insertion or swiss waists which leave comparatively bare the arms, neck and breast of the wearer. We furthermore believe that Christians should be clean and tidy in their appearance so that unnecessary reproach and persecution be avoided, which might come through negligence.

## APPOINTMENTS

## PITTSBURG DISTRICT.—C. W. STAMP, District Elder.

Pittsburg (Ruth Street).....	C. L. Wright, Ruth street, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
" (Anderson street).....	A. Lenkerd, " "
" (East End and Wilkinsburg).....	Laura Lamb, supply, " "
" (Providence Mission).....	" "
".....	E. W. Liebendorfer, superintendent, Third avenue, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
Pittsburg (South Side Mission).....	Ella Boger, Mattie Overman, supplies
Munhall and Glenwood.....	A. F. Foust, Munhall, Pennsylvania
Braddock.....	J. N. McKim, Braddock, "
McKeesport and Christy Park.....	C. H. Miller, McKeesport, "
Smithton and Collinsburg.....	W. W. Spiker, West Newton, "
Monongahela City and West Columbia.....	To be supplied
Kittanning.....	Edwin Adair, Kittanning, Pennsylvania
Vandergrift.....	A. Wilson, Vandergrift, "
Apollo.....	T. R. Wayne, Apollo, "
Avonmore and Perrysville.....	Rosella Adair, supply, Saltsburg, "
Verona and New Kensington.....	To be supplied
Carnegie and McDonald.....	B. Hosbach, Carnegie, Pennsylvania
Atlanta Mission, Georgia.....	"
.....E. E. Shelhamer, 12 Gilmer street, Atlanta, Georgia, Minnie B. Shelhamer, supply	
R. H. Freshwater, conference evangelist; Charles Fish, left without appointment to attend school; W. A. Sellew, general superintendent.	

## ROCHESTER DISTRICT.—A. D. ZAHNISER, District Elder.

Rochester, Vanport and Pleasant Valley.....	"
".....	D. G. Shirer, Ida McCoy Shirer, supply, Rochester, Pennsylvania
New Brighton.....	J. Barnhart, New Brighton, "
Ohioville.....	Allen Duncan, supply
East Liverpool.....	J. W. Howard, East Liverpool, Pennsylvania
Chester.....	Sarah Howard, supply, "
Hookstown.....	Charles Phipps, Celia Phipps, supply, Mercer, West Virginia
Lazearville and Empire.....	C. H. Mason, Lazearville, West Virginia
Bridgeport.....	Paul Foy, Bridgeport, Pennsylvania
Butler.....	R. H. Bentley, Center avenue, Butler, "
Mars.....	E. L. Garrow, Mars, "
Hites and Tarentum.....	J. F. Silver, Hites, "
Leechburg, Bagdad and Freeport.....	L. A. Southworth, supply, Leechburg, "
J. B. Easton, left without appointment at his request.	

## GREENSBURG DISTRICT.—E. S. ZAHNISER, District Elder.

Greensburg	G. L. Coughron, 125 Depot street, Greensburg, Pennsylvania	
Arona	J. A. Reinschmidt, Target, Westmoreland county,	"
Blairsville	H. L. Speer, Blairsville,	"
Indiana	L. C. Andre, Indiana,	"
Homer and Black Lick	William Wilson, Homer City,	"
Mt. Pleasant	G. C. Wadding, Mt. Pleasant,	"
Scottdale		To be supplied
Cool Spring and New Haven	L. Kightlinger, New Haven, Pennsylvania	
Cove Run	R. N. Large, Percy,	"
Fairchance	F. W. Boettner, Fairchance,	"
Glendale		To be supplied
Jeannette	J. H. Whiteman, Jeannette, Pennsylvania	
Bolivar and Armagh	E. E. Bailey, supply, Bolivar,	"
West Brownsville	R. A. Crookshank, supply, West Brownsville,	"
R. A. Zahniser and A. H. M. Zahniser allowed to supply work in the Oil City conference.		

## WEST VIRGINIA DISTRICT—W. G. LONG, Stationed Elder.

Hendricks and Davis	W. G. Long, Hendricks, West Virginia	
Samaria. Mt. Sharon and McConkey		
	John and Malinda Spear, supplies, Samaria, West Virginia	
Fairmont and Monongah	C. F. Johnston, Monongah,	"
Bedford and Well's Valley	W. W. Blossom, supply, Saluvia, Pennsylvania	
H. A. Baldwin, conference evangelist.		

## LOCAL PREACHERS

Samuel Fish	Hites, Pennsylvania	
T. C. Singleton	Hites,	"
John Donaldson	Hites,	"
W. W. Blossom	Saluvia,	"
John H. Spear	Samaria, West Virginia	
John Petty	Samaria,	"
William Gamble	Leechburg, Pennsylvania	
Miller Flocker	Vanport,	"
Fred Retzer	West Bridgewater,	"
Robert Burleigh	Darragh, Westmoreland county,	"
Robert A. Crookshank	West Brownsville,	"
W. E. Darrow	Irwin,	"
H. H. Baxter	Avonmore,	"
Jedediah Grover	Homer City,	"
Jacob S. Long	Black Lick,	"
H. H. O'Bryon	New Haven,	"
Edwin R. Smith	Fallston,	"
Joseph Davenport	Smithton,	"
Albert Findley	Smithton,	"
T. J. Baldrige	Apollo,	"
William Brubaker	Leechburg,	"
C. H. Sullivan	Mount Run,	"
G. W. Paul	Mount Run,	"
Julius King	Uniontown,	"

## EVANGELISTS

Malinda Spear	Samaria, West Virginia	
Fannie Vangilder	Forksburg,	"
Ollie Vangilder	Forksburg,	"
Alice Shaw	Samaria,	"
Sarah E. Howard	East Liverpool, Pennsylvania	
Emma Haviland	Rochester,	"
Edith M. Lenkerd	Pittsburg,	"
Sadie F. Hill	Avonmore,	"
Jennie Boettner	Hendricks, West Virginia	
Ella Smith	North Chili, New York	

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Lottie M. Wilson.....	Vandergrift, Pennsylvania
Margaret Mason.....	New Brighton, "
Nellie Zahniser.....	Apollo, "
Lida Havener.....	Fairchance, "
Etta W. Baldwin.....	Monongah, West Virginia
Florence Jones.....	Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
Ellen Boger.....	Pittsburg, "
Martha Silvera.....	Pittsburg, "
Elizabeth Stewart.....	Empire, Ohio
Lena Lackman.....	Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania

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## CONFERENCE EVANGELISTS

Mrs. Maretta Barnhart.....	New Brighton, Pennsylvania
Mrs. Emma H. Haviland	
Ida McCoy Shirer.....	Rochester, Pennsylvania
Mary J. Elliott.....	Grove City, "
Mrs. Blanche E. Stamp.....	127 Morton avenue, Butler, "
Laura Lamb.....	Pittsburg, "
Mary A. Morgan.....	Pittsburg, "
Lulu Nixon.....	Saltsburg, "
Cora Spiker.....	West Newton, "
Ada Pearce.....	Butler, "
Rosella E. Adair.....	Avonmore, "
Minnie B. Shelhamer.....	12 Gilmer street, Atlanta, Georgia

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## DISTRICT ELDERS' ADDRESSES

A. D. Zahniser.....	4 Catharine street (32 Ward), Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
C. W. Stamp.....	127 Morton avenue, Butler, "
E. S. Zahniser.....	Blairsville, "
W. G. Long.....	Hendricks, West Virginia

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## SECRETARY

J. F. Silver.....	Hites, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania
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## GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

W. A. Sellew.....	170 East Ninth street, Jamestown, New York
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## MISCELLANEOUS

The nineteenth annual session was held in the Free Methodist church at New Brighton, Pennsylvania, October 2-9, 1901. Six sittings were held—one each on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and three on Saturday.

Our venerable superintendent, George W. Coleman, presided with general acceptability, and preached on Sabbath morning to the edification of all.

The following persons were introduced to the conference during the session and invited to honorary seats. From the Oil City conference: J. S. McGeary, M. B. Miller, C. H. Reed, E. Blews. C. H. Miller; from the North Indiana conference, B. J. Vincent; from the Genesee conference, J. S. Bradbrook; also J. E. Wright, of the Grace M. E. church, and A. T. Steel, of the Methodist church, both of New Brighton; and W. B. Stoddard, of the Congregational church, Washington, D. C.

Collections were raised as follows during the conference: W. F. M. S., \$30.00; H. A. Baldwin, on account of his wife's sickness, \$68.00; New Brighton church indebtedness, \$300; Gerry Orphanage and Home, \$335; Providence Mission, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, \$420; also several minor collections.

Each preacher was requested to raise an amount equal to five cents per member to be

placed in the hands of the conference treasurer to assist in the support of female evangelists in case of sickness, as last year, and be distributed as the stationing committee may direct.

On the Sabbath J. S. McGearry preached in the Grace M. E. church in the morning, and C. W. Stamp in the evening. In the afternoon T. R. Wayne preached before the Young Men's Christian Association. The religious services during the conference were fruitful in the salvation of a number of souls.

Brother J. B. Easton was abundant in labors in providing entertainment. We were most hospitably entertained.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PITTSBURG CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
PITTSBURG DISTRICT											
Pittsburg (Ruth Street).....	\$2 02		\$40 60		\$510 00	\$ 90 00	\$11 00	1	\$1800	1	\$1600
Pittsburg (Anderson Street).....					255 00			1	2500		
West End, Carnegie, McDonald...					413 02	73 07		1	1000		
Braddock.....			18 00		140 39	56 62		1	3500	1	1000
McKeesport and Christy Park.....			120 00		555 00	97 00	11 50	1	1600		
Smithton and Collinsburg.....			50 04		411 31	56 28		2	4000		
Apollo.....			64 00		580 00	94 77	11 51	2	2800		
Vandergrift.....			40 88		596 16	59 50	5 11	1	4600		
Verona and New Kensington.....					110 00	14 70	20 00	1	2000		
Ewing and Rosston.....	1 00	\$3 20	87 44		380 55	45 42	21 45	1	1200		
Munhall and Glenwood.....			35 64		400 00	45 60	14 28	1	1000		
Atlanta Mission.....											
Perrysville and Avonmore.....					451 82	43 16	17 50	1	1600		
East End, Pittsburg.....					34 75	10 32	15 00				
Monongahela City and Columbia.....											
WEST VIRGINIA DISTRICT											
Bedford, Everett, Saluvia.....			3 80		19 75						
Samaria, McConkey, Mt. Sharon..			6 00		105 06	22 34		2	3800		
Hendricks and Davis.....			16 47		246 95	17 01	15 60	2	1600		
Monongah.....					40 00	3 15					
ROCHESTER DISTRICT											
Rochester.....			61 00		506 00	80 96	5 00	2	3400	1	1200
New Brighton.....	3 00	2 08	116 09		660 00	124 37	24 00	1	3500		
East Liverpool and Ohioville.....			16 56	1 00	335 00	63 77		2	4500	1	500
Chester and Hookstown.....			50 00		406 50	56 00	30 00	2	2700		
Lazearville.....					243 20	52 71	2 00				
Bridgeport.....			13 14		269 53	41 77	42 83	1	900		
Butler.....			101 28		655 93	117 43		1	2500		
Mars and Dorseyville.....		1 00	25 23		280 43	79 24		1	1700		
Leechburg, Bagdad, Freeport.....	1 90		41 00		329 52	42 39	10 00	2	2000		
Hite and Tarentum.....			62 55		650 00	99 13		1	2600	1	1800
GREENSBURG DISTRICT											
Greensburg and Arona.....	2 90	1 00	29 91	50	482 05	86 56	2 80	2	2800	1	250
Blairsville.....			16 50		340 00	74 50	2 00	1	1500		
Indiana.....	1 00		18 20	3 00	266 83	62 30	12 25	1	1000		
Homer and Black Lick.....			20 72		234 55	43 77	21 76	1	1000		
Mt. Pleasant.....			16 10		236 44	56 89		1	1800	1	1200
New Haven and Connellsville.....					72 76	29 92					
Cove Run.....			86 12		412 00	115 56	4 84	1	1000	1	500
Uniontown and Cool Spring.....			19 10		324 19	52 34	1 55	1	600		
Fairchance and Haydentown.....			39 00		806 66	57 07		2	2500		
Irwin, Jeannette, Penn.....			24 84		303 88	51 61		1	450		
Bolivar and Armagh.....			10 58		192 46	38 74	3 58	1	900		
West Brownsville.....			8 70		50 00	25 00	40 00	1	800		
Scottsdale and West Overton.....			4 80		82 62						
Total.....	\$6 92	\$7 28	\$1214 29	\$4 50	\$13390 21	\$2180 97	\$345 56 44	\$71150	8	\$8050	







# SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Session, held at Sioux Falls, South Dakota,  
October 2-6, 1901

## OFFICERS

B. R. JONES, President.

H. L. TORSEY, Secretary.

J. WHITESIDE, Assistant Secretary.

W. F. HARDING, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Nominations—J. B. Freeland, T. Donoghue, H. L. Torsey.

On Public Worship—B. R. Jones, J. B. Freeland, T. Donoghue, W. D. McMullen.

On Publications—W. N. Coffee, T. Donoghue, J. C. Keen, A. M. Anderson.

On Education—H. L. Torsey, O. A. Harpel, E. G. Burritt, Satie E. Dixon, A. P. Matson.

On Sabbath-schools—W. F. Harding, W. D. McMullen, J. O. Sweeney, Charles Grimes.

On Reforms—J. Whiteside, D. W. Cook, A. Harden, T. J. Richardson.

On State of the Work—J. B. Freeland, T. Donoghue, A. Larsen, Charles Fossett, J. C. Keen.

On Missions—The stationing committee.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—J. S. Fear, R. Earl, A. P. Matson.

To Publish the Minutes—H. L. Torsey, J. Whiteside.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—S. B. Shaw.

On Resolutions—W. N. Coffee, G. W. Austin, W. F. Harding.

On Claimants and Claims—B. R. Jones, J. B. Freeland, T. Donoghue, Charles Fossett, J. C. Keen.

To Visit Wessington Springs Seminary—J. S. Fear, W. N. Coffee.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Publications—H. L. Torsey.

On Education—D. W. Cook.

On Sabbath-schools—W. D. McMullen.

On Reforms—W. N. Coffee.

On State of the Work—The district elders.

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## ORDER OF COLLECTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

First Quarter, General Missions; second quarter, General Superintendents'; third quarter, Church Extension and Conference Missions; fourth quarter, Conference Claimants' and Delegates' Expenses to the General Conference.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

## PREACHERS

D. W. Cook,	O. A. Harpel,	G. C. Coffee,	T. Donoghue,
J. B. Freeland,	S. B. Shaw,	J. K. Freeland,	W. D. McMullen,
W. N. Coffee,	J. Whiteside,	W. F. Harding,	J. S. Fear,
H. L. Torsey,	G. W. Austin,	R. Earl,	A. P. Matson.

## DELEGATES

A. M. Anderson,	T. J. Richardson,	Lina V. Shoff,	E. G. Burritt,
Albert Larsen,	Flora Boyd,	Satie E. Dixon,	J. O. Sweeney,
Harry Scott,	Charles Fossett,	J. R. Williams,	L. A. Esterbrook,
Charles Grimes,	William Smith,	Addison Harden,	A. J. Spain,
J. C. Keen,	A. H. Brehmer,	J. P. Leister,	D. B. Waller.

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. R. Jones, J. B. Freeland, T. Donoghue, Charles Fossett, J. C. Keen.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? Addison Harden, B. Gaddis.

4. Who remain on trial? W. N. Vennard, F. W. Drown, S. M. Wenholt.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

6. Who are the deacons? G. W. Austin, A. P. Matson, J. S. Fear, \*E. G. Burritt.

7, 8, 11, 12, 15. None.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? J. K. Freeland.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? G. C. Coffee.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? Rufus Earl.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

16-20. See statistical report.

21. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers? For G. C. Coffee, \$100.

23. See treasurer's report and statistics.

24. See appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? The place is to be decided upon by J. B. Freeland, T. Donoghue and H. L. Torsey; the time as near the first Wednesday in October, 1902, as may be convenient for the general superintendents.

## APPOINTMENTS

SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT—T. DONOGHUE, District Elder, 615 Fourth avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Sioux Falls..... W. D. McMullen, 509 East Fourteenth street. Sioux Falls, South Dakota  
Wall Lake..... W. N. Vennard, Lake City, " "

\*Local preache, ordained this year.

Boyden, Hull and Rock Rapids.....D. Rounds, supply, Boyden, Iowa  
 Mt. Pleasant, Hartford and Lake county.....S. B. Shaw, Taopi, South Dakota  
 Beresford.....J. Whiteside, Beresford, " "  
 Parker.....Mary Hitchman, supply, Parker, " "  
 G. C. Coffee, superannuated.

#### NORTH DISTRICT.—T. DONOGHUE, District Elder.

Vienna.....W. F. Harding, Vienna, South Dakota  
 Clark.....Harry Scott, supply, Clark, " "  
 Waubay.....F. W. Drown, Waubay, " "  
 Berton and Farnsworth.....J. S. Fear, Farnsworth, " "  
 Milbank and Odessa.....To be supplied

#### MITCHELL DISTRICT.—J. B. FREELAND, District Elder, Wessington Springs, South Dakota.

Mitchell.....W. N. Coffee, Mitchell, South Dakota  
 Parkston and Cleardale.....H. L. Torsey, Parkston, " "  
 Olivet.....G. W. Austin, Olivet, " "  
 Charles Mix county.....To be supplied

#### WESSINGTON SPRINGS DISTRICT.—J. B. FREELAND, District Elder.

Wessington Springs.....J. H. Flower, supply, Wessington Springs, South Dakota  
 Jerauld county circuit.....D. W. Cook, " "  
 Forestburg and Letcher.....To be supplied  
 Alpena and Hand county.....Burgess and Densie Gaddis, supplies, Bates, South Dakota  
 J. K. Freeland, supernumerary; A. P. Matson, left without appointment to attend school.

#### NORTHWEST DISTRICT—J. B. FREELAND, District Elder.

Faulkton, Burkmere, Orleans, } .....O. A. Harpel, Faulkton, South Dakota  
 Miller school house, Edmonds county } .....A. Harden  
 Campbell county.....A. M. Anderson, supply, Pembroke, South Dakota  
 Ellisville and Hyde county.....Lena V. Shoff, supply  
 Potter and Sully counties.....To be supplied  
 R. Earl, granted certificate of good standing with a view to transfer; S. M. Wenholm, left without appointment at his request.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed, \$65.10.  
 Raised, \$66.10. Surplus, \$1.00.  
 GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Assessed, \$78.12.  
 Raised, \$79.16. Surplus, \$1.04.  
 CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$130.20.  
 CHURCH EXTENSION.—Recommended and paid, \$43.40.  
 CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$65.10.  
 FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Amount raised, \$41.91.  
 EDUCATIONAL FUND.—Amount raised, \$5.79.  
 FOR PUBLISHING THE MINUTES.—Amount raised, \$22.00.  
 WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Amount raised, \$379.67.

### II.—ON EDUCATION.

The subject of Christian education is one of great importance, and should receive our careful attention. We are living in what may be termed an educational age. The provisions made for the education of the masses in our land are commendable. The public school system, instead of being set aside, is strengthened, and an earnest effort is being made by educators to bring it to a greater degree of perfection. Academies, normal schools, colleges and universities abound, and if one wills to have an education there is no reason why he may not be successful.

While grateful for what has been attained and with no thought of disparagement, yet we fear the efforts made have been confined too much to the development of the mental powers to the neglect of the moral. Plato, centuries ago, defined the best system of education to be that which gives to the body and to the soul all the beauty and all the perfec-

tion of which they are capable. In later years the revered Washington said, "Without virtue and without integrity, the finest talents and the most brilliant accomplishments can never gain the respect, and conciliate the esteem of the truly valuable part of mankind." We give hearty assent to the statements of these eminent men and would emphasize the thought that while the intellect is being-enlightened the character should be moulded aright.

In recognition of this need, through consecration, self-denial and hard labor, the Free Methodist church has, by divine aid, founded and maintained several institutions of learning, where students would not be expected to participate in questionable associations, where a premium would be placed on plainness and neatness of appearance and sound piety, rather than on style and superficiality, where the Bible is revered as the word of God, instead of a collection of legends, and its precepts taught to be of supreme authority.

While we believe in the development of the physical as well as the mental and moral, we do not believe in an education that makes pugilists or sports, and we protest against athletics as taught in many institutions resulting, as it does, in many cases in impaired health and injured bodies if not in loss of life.

We wish a deeper interest might be taken in our schools, and we bespeak for them, especially among Free Methodists, their hearty support. First, by continuing to give of their means in order that the financial burden be more evenly distributed. Second, by sending students to them in preference to other schools. Third, by earnest, persistent prayer that God by his spirit will anoint the faculty and operate upon the students so that they shall be not only thorough institutions of learning of high grade but most emphatically salvation schools.

Need we say among these schools Wessington Springs Seminary is the one we as a conference are most deeply interested in? We thank God for what has been accomplished there, but feel that it is but a commencement compared with what may be wrought with the hearty, united effort of all our people. It is one of the most important parts of the Lord's work, and to aid in its support should be esteemed a privilege. We note with satisfaction the improvements which have been made in the seminary property during the year in the substantial addition which has been made to the building and the installation of the much needed steam-heating plant. We urge our people to assist in lifting the financial burden this incurred, and the preachers to aid the financial agent in arranging for and holding meetings in the interest of the school.

We recommend that at least one educational meeting be held on each circuit during the year in which the interests of the seminary shall be represented. We rejoice in the prosperity that has attended the school during the past year. We are grateful for the standard of scholarship that has been obtained and in the increase in attendance. We appreciate the efforts to maintain a seminary paper called the *Wessingtonian* to circulate in the patronizing conferences and advance the interests of the school. We urge all our people to keep alive their interest in our educational work by subscribing for the paper.

### III.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

*The South Dakota conference to the church at large,*

Greeting:—The Christian church being engaged in the greatest and most difficult work ever undertaken by any agency in the world, it is, in the nature of things, to be expected that she should be the best informed organization among men. Her children should understand, as far as possible, God, the realm of nature, and human kind.

In these days of books and periodicals the horizon of man's comprehension and understanding of things around him is limited only to his application. Owing to the multiplied agencies for the gathering and classifying of information our children may be better informed before they are out of their teens than were our grandfathers at the close of their lives, though in them were combined both age and experience. It should therefore be the pardonable pride of the church of Jesus Christ that within her borders ignorance is dispelled.

Both ministry and laity should read. It would augur well for the church both mentally and morally, if the laity, as well as the ministry, would make a persevering effort to establish an ample library in the home. We believe that this would anticipate the abnormal craving of many of the children of Christian parents, for that light, trashy and pernicious reading which is read over and over again from sheer lack of something better.

It is possible for most people in these days to buy a few books as the nucleus to a select library and to occasionally add to that list such works as would be helpful. No people with equal means are as able to do this as are Free Methodists. The tobacco money and lodge dues saved and the current expense formerly incurred through the vanity of personal adornment and display would create and maintain a splendid library in most of our homes. Choice books on theology, history—sacred and secular—biography, travels and adventure, missions, inventions and art, agriculture and the professions. Books on reform treating Catholicism, secrecy, intemperance, Mormonism, etc., current periodicals, lexicons, atlases, encyclopedias, may contribute their fund to our enlightenment, if we will set about it. This is no chimera or fantasy of the brain, but can be realized, and among those who are



consecrated to the betterment of the world such equipment should take the precedence over the soul-deadening desire to be rich, and Christian parents should choose rather to bequeath to their children the legacy of a fund of knowledge gained from a constant use of the library, than hogs, cattle and acres. The reading of the ministry is of necessity more systematic than that of the laity, and should equal, if not excel, in spirituality, since it must contribute to the one great end, the analysis, illustration, and application of divine truth.

The reading of the laity is more likely to be desultory but need not be indiscriminate. The hymns we learn, the books we read are among the important formative agencies which build for us the characters we bear in life.

Under the providence of God we as a people have a publishing house of our own which supplies us with books of especial merit, and through which any good books from any other company may be secured without additional cost. We would encourage our people to examine the list of books furnished in the church paper and make selections for the home. We also have a paper published for the church and for the purpose of voicing the consensus of opinion in our church as a whole touching the doctrines of Free Methodism and the attitude of the church on all great moral questions. It has, however, seemed to us as a conference that for some time the paper has failed to correctly represent the preponderance of opinion in our church with reference to the great religio-political question of Prohibition, but rather it has appeared to be committed to the personal views of the editor, favoring the present administration of the Republican party which, though dominant, is averse to the cause of prohibition. We regret this since the said party has made the inglorious record of conniving at the wishes of the people as expressed by Congress in the anti-canteen law, and of ruthlessly trampling under foot the noblest sentiments of American motherhood who prayed the administration to shield their sons, whom they had so loyally given to the army of the republic, from the blighting curse of the saloon and its vile accessory the established, tolerated, regulated, inspected, officially sanctioned United States army house of ill-fame.

With all respect to the management of the paper, and deference to the ability of our editor whom we esteem highly for the works sake, we could hope that the attitude of our church organ might be more pronounced toward the issues of prohibition which seem to be the logical outgrowth of the position necessarily assumed by true Christianity toward the liquor traffic. It would seem desirable if not imperative that the church paper should be a thoroughly consistent exponent of the body it purports to represent. Our Sunday-school supplies are very helpful to young and old, and free from questionable reading so common, when entertainment takes precedence over the cultivation of morals. The *Earnest Christian* will be found to contain very excellent articles on the various phases of godliness. Take the *Christian Cynosure* and keep posted on secrecy and anti-secrecy, one of the living issues of our church. Subscribe for the *Olive Branch* and keep up on city missions. *Missionary Tidings* should be in every Free Methodist home. This paper will keep us abreast of our work in foreign missions and increase our usefulness as a people. The *New Voice* is highly deserving of our financial and moral support as being a forceful, able, and consistent exponent of the Christian prohibition and moral reform sentiment of the American people. Moreover, its statements of facts concerning the moral condition appear to be reliable. Its object first, last, and all the time is avowedly the best political and moral good of all the people of this commonwealth. We would do better to read this for the truth than the censored and garbled dispatches of the associated press.

The *New Herald*, a new paper published within the bounds of our conference, conducted by good, clean men, and proclaiming the cause of prohibition, should receive our endorsement as a people.

As a conference we are resolved that we will be well informed and in the acceptance of literature consistent with the fundamental issues of the church.



# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE SIoux FALLS, NORTH, MITCHELL, WESSINGTON SPRINGS AND NORTHWEST DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionaries
SIoux FALLS DISTRICT	T. K. Donoghue, District Elder	19	5	24	1	1	6	55	5	4 30	\$2 52	\$2 10	\$3 10	\$1 40	.....	\$5 00	.....
Sioux Falls and Shindler	W. D. McMullen	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bersford and Callione	J. Whiteside	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 70	3 42	2 30	2 30	1 40	.....	16 88	.....
Mt. Pleasant and Hartford	W. B. Shaw	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 70	3 42	2 30	2 30	1 40	.....	.....	.....
Wall Lake and Golden Rod	W. N. Vennard	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 30	2 70	2 30	2 30	1 40	.....	.....	.....
Parker and Mayfield	M. A. Hitchman, supply	11	6	17	1	1	3	18	6	3 30	1 98	1 70	1 65	1 10	.....	2 40	\$88 37
Lake county	J. S. Fear	11	1	12	1	1	3	20	4	3 60	2 16	1 80	1 80	1 10	.....	5 00	2 00
Boydton, Bull, Rock Rapids	D. Rounds, supply	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 80	2 88	2 40	2 40	1 60	.....	.....	11 00
NORTH DISTRICT	T. K. Donoghue, District Elder	40	.....	40	1	1	7	25	8	14 10	7 05	7 05	8 46	4 70	.....	6 95	6 00
Vienna	W. F. Harding	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clark	Harry Scott, supply	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30	3 42	2 85	2 85	1 90	.....	.....	.....
Wintbury	F. W. Brown	31	3	34	1	1	7	24	4	2 40	3 08	3 00	3 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Millbank and Odessa	C. L. Cook	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Berton and Fansworth	A. P. Matson	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
MITCHELL DISTRICT	J. B. Freeland, District Elder	27	3	30	1	1	6	40	7	5 70	3 42	2 85	2 85	1 90	.....	2 63	18 72
Mitchell	W. N. Coffee	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 50	2 70	2 25	2 25	1 50	.....	3 05	7 00
Parkston and Cleardale	H. L. Torsey	22	3	25	2	2	9	60	5	8 40	5 04	4 20	4 20	2 80	.....	.....	17 85
Olivet	G. W. Austin	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 20	2 52	2 10	2 10	1 40	.....	2 00	.....
Charles Mix county	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
WESSINGTON SPRINGS DISTRICT	J. B. Freeland, District Elder	50	16	66	1	1	18	118	10	15 90	9 54	7 95	7 95	5 30	.....	.....	16 10
Wessington Springs	O. A. Harpel	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 30	2 34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alpena	E. B. Paddock, supply	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hot Springs	Peter Daley, supply	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carroll and Bates	Augusta Jensen, supply	20	2	22	1	1	8	40	4	2 40	1 44	1 20	1 20	80	.....	4 0	.....
Letcher and Forestburg	B and D. Gaddis, supplies	20	22	42	1	1	2	8	40	4 80	2 88	2 40	2 40	1 00	.....	.....	11 05
NORTHWEST DISTRICT	J. B. Freeland, District Elder	23	.....	23	1	1	4	12	8	5 74	4 85	4 05	4 05	2 70	.....	18 60	64 83
Arena and Potter county	D. W. Cook	46	11	57	1	1	14	50	12	9 90	5 94	4 95	4 95	3 30	.....	2 00	.....
Orleans, Edmunds county, Faulkton	R. Earl	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 31	1 60	1 05	2 00	40	.....	.....	.....
Ellisville and Hyde county	S. M. Wenholm	4	3	7	1	1	7	25	3	1 20	1 72	1 60	1 60	40	.....	.....	.....
Campbell county	A. M. Anderson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	.....	470	60	530	15	9	124	657	130	\$128 95	\$77 33	\$59 60	\$61 96	\$41 70	.....	\$67 91	\$198 43

# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE— CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT											
Sioux Falls and Shindler.....			\$15 00	\$ 30	\$253 68	\$35 40	\$ 8 41	1	\$1250	1	\$ 300
Beresford and Calliope.....			9 54		334 27	35 00	20 31	1	2000	1	1000
Mt. Pleasant and Hartford.....			7 14		270 00	33 88				1	500
Wall Lake and Golden Rod.....			13 23		335 37	41 00	8 00	1	1200	1	800
Parker and Mayfield.....			6 00		171 00	23 72	12 00			1	400
Lake county.....	\$1 42		8 84		246 72	25 19					
Boyden, Hull, Rock Rapids.....			1 60	30	90 68	18 09		2	2400	1	800
NORTH DISTRICT											
Vienna.....			10 37		424 71	65 10				1	550
Clark.....						15 51					
Waubay.....		1 51	10 95		409 00	35 87					
Milbank and Odessa.....			10 40		3 50	22 00	3 25				
Berton and Farnsworth.....			15 00	50	150 00	22 86					
MITCHELL DISTRICT											
Mitchell.....			18 27		372 00	39 67		1	1000	1	770
Parkston and Cleardale.....			6 74		297 87	31 54				1	400
Olivet.....			16 50		236 05	35 84		2	1300		
Charles Mix county.....						28 26					
WESSINGTON SPRINGS DISTRICT											
Wessington Springs.....	\$2 86		38 75		309 90	41 47	60 00				
Alpena.....					27 73	12 78					
Hot Springs.....											
Carroll and Bates.....					50 50	23 13					
Letcher and Forestburg.....		2 00	12 00		115 30	21 04					
NORTHWEST DISTRICT											
Arena and Potter county.....			12 00		73 56	36 02					
Orleans, Edmunds county, etc.....			15 75		350 00	40 20		1	800	1	600
Ellisville and Hyde county.....			2 35		19 15	19 08					
Campbell county.....					26 55	17 02					
Total.....	\$2 86	\$4 93	\$230 45	\$1 10	\$4597 54	\$720 27	\$111 97	9	\$9950 10		\$6120

# WISCONSIN CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twenty-seventh Annual Session, held at Evansville, Wisconsin,  
September 18-22, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

A. J. DAMON, Secretary. J. J. JONES, C. SIGGELKOW, Assistant Secretaries.  
L. B. WEBB, Railroad Secretary. H. A. KNAPP, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, L. B. Webb, N. J. Davis.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Raise Funds for Publishing the Minutes—Florence Maxon, Maria Haynes.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—H. W. Hills, N. B. Ghormley,  
Nellie Lysenaar, Mrs. M. A. Eustice.

On Missions—R. Carne, E. N. Hawley, W. Plant, W. Bell, Mrs. L. Potter.

On Publications—E. J. Roberts, E. A. Wolfe, Henry Blackman, Mrs. A. Schultz.

On Education—D. W. Hart, A. H. Stilwell, Job Miles, W. W. Bates, A. Packer.

On Sabbath-schools—F. L. Burns, D. O. Deitzman, Owen Owens, W. W.  
Youngs, Alice Rowley.

On Reforms—J. F. Thomson, N. J. Davis, L. Balliet, E. Southwick.

On State of the Work—L. B. Webb, J. E. Coleman, J. Turgeson, F. F. Wolfe,

A. Turner.

On Claims and Claimants—E. P. Hart, J. E. Coleman, L. B. Webb, J. Miles,

A. Turner.

On Ministerial Relations—L. B. Webb, J. Turgeson, N. J. Davis, E. J. Roberts,

A. Turner.

To Visit Evansville Seminary—H. A. Knapp.

On Complimentary Resolutions—D. W. Hart, J. F. Thomson.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On State of the Work—A. J. Damon. On Education—N. J. Davis.

On Reforms—E. J. Roberts. On Missions—R. H. Warren.

On Sabbath-schools—N. B. Ghormley. On Publications—H. W. Hills.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

J. F. Thomson, president, retires at conference, 1902.

E. J. Roberts, retires at conference, 1903.

E. N. Hawley, secretary, retires at conference, 1904.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

E. Z. Thwing, president; G. C. Brownell, retire at conference, 1902.

R. Carne, secretary; J. Turgeson, retire at conference, 1903.

A. J. Damon, E. P. Tullis, retire at conference, 1904.

## CONFERENCE MISSIONARY BOARD

J. E. Coleman, treasurer; C. L. Franz, retire at conference, 1902.

N. J. Davis, R. Carne, secretary, retire at conference, 1903.

L. B. Webb, president; E. P. Tullis, retire at conference, 1904.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

L. B. Webb, president; R. Carne, secretary; J. E. Coleman, treasurer.

L. B. Webb, retires at conference, 1902.

J. Turgeson, W. H. Webb, retire at conference, 1903.

J. E. Coleman, E. Z. Thwing, retire at conference, 1904.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

L. Whitney,	E. Z. Thwing,	T. Charmley,	W. G. Hanmer,
J. E. Coleman,	W. Plant,	R. Carne,	L. B. Webb,
J. Turgeson,	C. Siggelkow,	F. F. Wolfe,	V. Charroin,
A. C. Jett,	W. W. Bates,	C. A. Cusick,	H. A. Knapp,
E. N. Hawley,	F. L. Burns,	D. O. Deitzman,	D. G. Jones,
E. J. Roberts,	A. J. Damon,	F. O. Lewis,	D. W. Hart,
A. H. Stilwell,	E. A. Wolfe,	J. F. Thomson,	N. B. Ghormley,
N. J. Davis,	J. J. Jones,	H. W. Hills,	R. H. Warren.

### DELEGATES

Florence Maxon,	Alice Rowley,	W. W. Youngs,	Owen Owens,
L. Balliet,	William Bell,	H. Blackman,	Mrs. M. Haynes,
A. Packer,	Mrs. A. Schultz,	A. Turner,	E. Southwick,
Mrs. L. Potter,	Mrs. M. A. Eustice,	J. Miles,	Miss H. Dryer,
William Gillingham,	Mrs. E. Clegg.		

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, J. E. Coleman, L. B. Webb, J. Turgeson, A. Turner, William Bell, J. Miles.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? W. L. Meikle.

4. Who remain on trial? F. S. Kamm, V. G. McMurry, J. B. Coffrin, August Knaak, David Reed.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? J. J. Jones, H. W. Hills, R. H. Warren.

6. Who are the deacons? F. F. Wolfe, D. O. Deitzman, F. O. Lewis, F. L. Burns, D. G. Jones, E. A. Wolfe, W. L. Meikle.

7, 8. None.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? D. G. Jones, W. Plant.

10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? L. Whitney, C. A. Cusick, Thomas Charmley.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? A. D. Gillett, from the Minnesota and Northern Iowa conference; F. S. Kamm, from the Southern California conference.

12, 13. None.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16-21, 23. See reports.

24. See list of appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? The place is to be decided by the district elders; time, as near the second Wednesday in September, 1902, as is consistent with the plans of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society reported \$482.32 raised during the year.

The financial agent for Evansville Seminary reported \$5,000 raised in cash and subscription for the seminary during the year and a half he had been thus engaged, and \$88.70 raised on the Evansville Emergency Fund during the year.

The committee on claimants and claims recommend for L. Whitney, \$110; T. Charmley, \$25; C. A. Cusick, \$140; Mrs. M. M. Hughes, \$10; for her son, \$36.

The Ministers' Mutual Aid Society reported \$50 raised in the Wisconsin conference for the benefit of Rev. C. Siggelkow on account of the death of his wife, and \$62.50 raised in the Illinois conference for the same purpose.

An appropriation of \$50 was asked of the General Missionary Board for the Albany circuit; for the Boscobel circuit, \$30; and for the York Center and Tioga circuit, \$20.

The conference ordered a collection amounting to twenty-five cents per full member to be taken for home mission purposes, 60 per cent. of which is to be appropriated for the work on the districts at the discretion of the district elders.

The conference ordered the collections to be taken as follows: October and November, Home Missions; December and January, General Missions; February and March, Evansville Seminary, 15 cents per member; April and May, General Superintendents'; June and July, Conference Claimants'; August and September, Church Extension. The Home Mission and Church Extension collections should be sent to Rev. J. E. Coleman, Evansville, Wisconsin; the Evansville Seminary Fund to Rev. L. B. Webb, Evansville, Wisconsin; the others to S. K. J. Chesbro, 14 North May street, Chicago, Illinois.

The motion prevailed that the carfare to and from conference next year, of the preachers having regular work, and the superannuated preachers residing within the bounds of the conference, be shared equally by such preachers.

## APPOINTMENTS

**MILWAUKEE DISTRICT.**—J. E. COLEMAN, District Elder, Evansville, Wisconsin.

Milwaukee (First church).....	D. W. Hart, 620 Twentieth street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
“ (Second church and Bay View).....	“
“.....	E. J. Roberts, Mary C. Roberts, supply, 473 Tenth avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Waukesha.....	To be supplied
Racine.....	To be supplied

**EVANSVILLE DISTRICT.**—J. E. COLEMAN, District Elder.

Evansville.....	L. B. Webb, Grace J. Webb, supply, Evansville, Wisconsin
Pierceville and Porters.....	H. W. Hills, Marshall, “
Palmyra and Whitewater.....	F. S. Kamm, Whitewater, “
Sharon.....	To be supplied
Albany.....	W. L. Meikle, Albany, Wisconsin

V. G. McMurry, missionary to India; A. H. Stilwell, principal of Evansville Seminary; L. Whitney and C. A. Cusick, superannuated; W. G. Hanmer, general conference evangelist; A. C. Jett, evangelist; V. Charroin, left without appointment.

**BEAVER DAM DISTRICT.**—N. J. DAVIS, District Elder, Evansville, Wisconsin.

Beaver Dam.....	J. J. Jones, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin
Pardeeville.....	R. H. Warren, Pardeeville, “
Portage and Caledonia.....	H. A. Knapp, Portage, “
Baraboo and Excelsior.....	C. Siggelkow, Baraboo, “

T. Charmley, superannuated.

**OSHKOSH DISTRICT.**—N. J. DAVIS, District Elder.

Oshkosh (Elm and Merritt streets).....	“
“.....	N. B. Ghormley, corner Elm and New streets, Oshkosh, Wisconsin
Fond du Lac.....	To be supplied
Buckbee and Clintonville.....	To be supplied
Cobbtown and Veteran's Home.....	To be supplied
Rhineland and Three Lakes.....	F. F. Wolfe; one to be supplied; Rhineland, Wisconsin
Crescent school house.....	Grant Hamilton, supply, Rhineland, “
Tomahawk circuit.....	Arthur Tripp, supply, Tomahawk, “

W. W. Bates, left without appointment.

PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT—A. J. DAMON, District Elder, Richland Center, Wisconsin.

Platteville, Cuba City, New Diggings and Arthur.....F. L. Burns, Livingston, Wisconsin  
Livingston and Montfort.....F. O. Lewis, Montfort, "  
Boscobel, Werley and Fennimore.....J. B. Coffrin, Boscobel, "

RICHLAND DISTRICT.—A. J. DAMON, District Elder.

Richland Center and Mill Creek.....R. Carne, Richland Center, Wisconsin  
Ithaca, Little Willow and Loyd.....J. F. Thomson, Loyd, "  
Gillingham and Hub City.....D. O. Deitzman, Gillingham, "  
D. G. Jones, supernumerary.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT.—J. TURGESON, District Elder, Humbird, Wisconsin.

Humbird, Augusta and Hale.....E. N. Hawley, Humbird, Wisconsin  
York Center and Tioga.....E. Z. Thwing, Augusta, "  
Barron county.....E. A. Wolfe, Chetek, "  
Weyerhauser circuit.....J. L. Phillips, Weyerhauser, "  
Menomonie circuit.....To be supplied  
Emerald.....To be supplied  
Pleasant Valley, North Lima and Island Lake.....J. W. Kendall, supply  
Jackson county.....Lisa M. Saugstad, supply  
A. D. Gillett, missionary on Northwest district Barron. Barron county, Wisconsin.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.—J. TURGESON, District Elder.

Hills Prairie, LaValle and Trippville.....A. E. Knaak, Hillsboro, Wisconsin  
LaFarge circuit.....D. S. Reed, LaFarge, "  
Camp Douglas.....To be supplied  
W. Plant, supernumerary.

## LOCAL PREACHERS AND EVANGELISTS

Ira Emerton.....Evansville, Wisconsin  
Mary L. Coleman.....Evansville, "  
Grace J. Webb.....Evansville, "  
Mary C. Roberts.....473 Tenth avenue, Milwaukee, "  
Miss Nellie Cocklin.....Whitewater, "  
Phebe Farnsworth.....Baraboo, "  
Mrs. Minnie Hughes.....Beaver Dam, "  
Mrs. R. J. Ghormley.....Corner Elm and New streets, Oshkosh, "  
Mrs. Abbie Hasbrouck.....187 Ninth street, Oshkosh, "  
John Wetmore.....Clintonville, "  
Grant Hamilton.....Rhineland, "  
Arthur Tripp.....Tomahawk, "  
L. M. Phillips.....Weyerhauser, "  
William Bell.....Chetek, "  
Fred Shafer, Sr.....Rice Lake, "  
Morgan Ramey.....Barron, "  
Lisa M. Saugstad.....Black River Falls, "  
A. Raymond.....Wilcox, "  
Florence Maxon.....Humbird, "  
E. Alderman.....Neillsville, "  
John Maly.....Hub City, "  
E. W. Gillingham.....Gillingham, "  
William Waters.....Platteville, "  
E. Strawbridge.....Platteville, "  
John Livingston.....Livingston, "  
E. P. Tullis.....Pardeeville, "  
R. Pate.....Pardeeville, "  
R. Pearsall.....Waterloo, "  
Mrs. Christie G. Damon.....Richland Center, "  
J. Walter Jones.....Evansville, "  
James Manion.....Livingston, "  
C. A. Webb.....Livingston, "



C. L. Franz.....	Columbus, Wisconsin
Mrs. L. Franz.....	Columbus, “
C. Tompkins.....	Beaver Dam, “

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON STATE OF THE WORK.

In considering the work of God in the conference there is a variety of elements to take into account. These elements can be divided into two classes; first, the forces that are in operation, and second, the results that have been achieved. The results of gospel labor are spiritual and material. As material results of the year's labor we have new churches at Emerald, York Center, and Three Lakes; churches near completion at Humbird and Boscobel; a new parsonage at Loyd, and more or less advancement made in paying indebtedness on churches and parsonages at a number of points. In this connection we would state that several new parsonages are needed in the conference, and we would recommend that the work of securing them be pushed with increased earnestness. We would also call attention to the habit of contracting debts for churches and parsonages which has evidently become too prevalent among us. A debt is quite sure to become a means of discouragement to a society. Then, there is no time when money can be raised so easily for an enterprise as when it is new. It is very rarely that a church can secure outside help to pay an old debt. For this reason the burden that remains falls upon the few members who already have their hands more than full. If the idea of debt is not entertained and the work of raising money vigorously pushed while the building is going up, the case will be rare where any indebtedness need remain. The practice of contracting debt is both bad in principle and policy and should be abandoned. The godly man expressed an important truth who said that the great triumvirate of evil in this world is “dirt, debt and the devil.”

The spiritual results of the year, because of their nature, are not so easy to enumerate. There are, however, not a few substantial results and hopeful signs that can be mentioned. More or less faithful revival effort has been put forth in all the districts, and in a number of instances gratifying results have followed. The fruit of faithful pastoral labor is manifest on not a few circuits. New fields are opening to us at several points in the conference. The general gatherings of the year have been good. Eight camp-meetings and a number of tent meetings have been held during the summer. The camp-meetings have been attended with an unusual degree of divine blessing and gospel fruitage. The efforts that have been put forth, the results that have followed and the divine blessing that has attended all make the past year one of special encouragement.

Perhaps in no year of our history as a conference have we been called upon to mourn the loss by death of so large a number of our lay members as during the twelve months just past. We especially mourn and sympathize with our brethren of the ministry, Father Whitney and Charles Siggelkow because of the removal to the better world of their faithful companions and help-mates in the work of the Lord.

In considering the forces that are in operation on our fields we find some interesting facts and some difficult problems. An encouraging feature is that for a number of years, as our preachers have increased in numbers and new men have come into our ranks, there has been a steady improvement in the ability, qualifications and general character of our ministry. A problem not easy to solve is that the increase in numbers and general strength of our ministry has not been attended by a corresponding increase in the results of gospel work. Few new fields have been opened; in but a few instances has the membership on the old circuits been increased, while on many fields there have been decided losses, and there is a question if devotion and conformity to the principles of Free Methodism are as emphatic as in former years. If there is any special and general defection in the ministry of the conference to account for the discrepancy between their fruitage and their increasing general abilities, such defection is not apparent to your committee. A few things, however, might be mentioned that without question serve as hindrances to the work of God among us. First among these is insufficiency of ministerial support. A few years ago our ministry was largely made up of single men. To-day, with rare exceptions, they are men of families. When a preacher's thought and effort are strained to the utmost tension to settle the question of bread and butter, he has little time or energy left for the work of the ministry. Moreover, under these conditions, it is exceedingly difficult for him to maintain that restful frame of mind, and prayerful spirit necessary to successful gospel work. The responsibility for lack of ministerial support rests somewhat with the preacher, himself, but chiefly with the laity. On almost every field in the conference there should be more system, more sacrifice, and more united hard work on the part of the membership to secure proper support for the pastor. Some of our people do nobly, many do moderately, and a few on almost every circuit are not at all awake to their high privileges and grave responsibilities in these matters. We wish something might be said or done that would bring

about a revolution in this respect. There is hardly a circuit in the conference that does what might be done for the pastor. It is not only the solemn question of the comfort, or the suffering of families, but the future interests of the Wisconsin conference hinge largely at this point. To relieve this condition the ministry, both pastors and elders, should assist the official boards in forming and executing scriptural and business-like systems for securing ministerial support. If the pastor is careless and without order in management of the finances of the circuit and his own work in general he must not be surprised if he finds the work of raising his support conducted in the same way. Example is contagious, especially the example of a person who is called to lead. And then it must be acknowledged that when a preacher keeps full of the Spirit and pushes on his work with courage and success it is quite sure in a greater or less degree to affect his own support. However, we do not consider, as is sometimes erroneously stated, that this is the only, or chief element of ministerial support. That the average salary for ministerial labor in our conference is too small we are fully persuaded. For the preacher who has a family the minimum salary should be \$400 and parsonage, or \$350 with fuel and parsonage.

Another hindrance to the great work for which we are responsible is a lack of the spirit of aggressiveness. While we have become more cultured and more scholarly, we have become less determined, less fearless and less self-sacrificing on forward movements for the cause of God. We have enlisted not simply to hold the fort, but also and chiefly to wage a war of conquest for our King. We would recommend special thought and prayer on this subject. While exhorting the ministry to aggressive effort we do not forget that obstacles to this work arise on their own fields. It is a cause of complaint that in many of the older societies the members object to the missionary efforts of their pastors when such efforts require them to be absent from any of the regular preaching services at the home points. It is certainly a matter of great importance that the pastor give close attention to his work and especially that he be present at his preaching appointments. But a distinction should be made between absence for personal gratification and absence to build up and extend the cause of God in his own and adjoining fields. If a new point can be opened or a neglected field receive the gospel by the aggressive efforts of the pastor the home society should gladly consent to have their pulpit filled part of the time by local help, since by this means the glorious gospel may be extended and precious souls brought into the kingdom of our Lord. A further hindrance to the accomplishment of our purpose is, we fear, a tendency to depend upon special help and evangelistic movements to secure conversions and gain new territory. We have no objection to these features of gospel work, but consider them highly desirable aids, but to depend upon them and excuse ourselves from effort when we do not have them is their abuse, and an abuse that is fatal to the work of God. To the preacher who enjoys the unction that abideth, who works like the successful physician, lawyer or farmer, and who conducts his ministrations in wisdom, every month in the year will be the seed time, the waiting time and the harvest time, and all as the result of his own efforts. If he can secure special help for his work, so much the better, but if he is called and qualified to preach the everlasting gospel there will be results from his labors without special help.

In conclusion we would state that there are three elements that go to make up a successful gospel preacher—the Holy Ghost, hard work and common sense. Every successful minister possesses all of these. In the degree that any one of them is wanting, in that degree there will be lack of success.

In the Wisconsin conference of the Free Methodist church there are many things for which we should be thankful and there are many respects in which we can improve. Brethren, "Let us stir up the gift that is within us."

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WISCONSIN CONFERENCE

EVANSVILLE, PLATTEVILLE, RICHLAND AND BEAVER DAM DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missions
EVANSVILLE DISTRICT																		
	L. B. Webb, District Elder																	
Evansville and Albany.....	N. J. Davis, F. S. Kamm.....	66	11	77	5	3	2	17	80	20	\$17 70	\$10 62	\$14 75	\$8 85	\$5 90	.....	\$37 20	\$57 41
Milwaukee (First Church).....	D. W. Hart.....	21	6	27	.....	.....	.....	9	45	6	6 30	3 78	5 25	3 15	2 10	.....	5 30	18 00
Milwaukee (Second Church).....	E. J. Roberts, M. Roberts, sup	38	8	46	.....	8	1	9	56	11	10 80	6 48	9 00	5 40	3 60	.....	.....	23 71
Waukesha and Colgate.....	A. C. Amundsen, supply.....	11	1	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	5	4 50	2 46	1 45	2 25	.....	.....	1 62	10 05
Palmyra and Whitewater.....	A. C. Jett.....	27	1	28	.....	1	1	5	15	3	8 40	5 04	5 01	4 20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sharon.....	.....	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	1 65	75	1 25	31	.....	.....	.....	.....
Racine.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT																		
	J. E. Coleman, District Elder																	
Platteville, Cuba, New Diggings.....	W. L. Meikle, supply.....	35	1	36	1	.....	1	4	30	10	13 20	7 20	10 00	6 00	4 00	.....	.....	20 00
Montfort and Pennimore.....	F. O. Lewis.....	23	6	29	31	.....	.....	4	25	.....	4 60	4 60	.....	3 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Livingston, Arthur, Annaton.....	F. L. Burns.....	41	6	47	4	2	2	.....	.....	.....	13 30	7 38	10 25	6 15	2 10	.....	.....	.....
Werley and Boscobel.....	J. B. Coffrin.....	20	1	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	3 15	1 20	2 62	3 15	.....	.....	.....	.....
RICHLAND DISTRICT																		
	J. E. Coleman, District Elder																	
Richland Center and Ithaca.....	H. A. Knapp.....	24	3	27	.....	.....	1	6	35	6	7 80	4 68	6 50	3 90	2 60	.....	11 50	6 95
Gillingham, Hub City, Millcreek.....	D. O. Deitzman.....	57	9	66	2	3	2	8	30	7	15 90	9 64	13 25	7 95	35	.....	1 33	7 00
Little Willow and Loyd.....	D. S. Read.....	18	7	25	.....	.....	1	7	50	2	6 42	2 16	3 00	1 80	1 20	.....	1 73	15 00
Lafarge, Bear Creek, Weister Creek..	J. F. Thomson.....	29	10	39	1	1	1	8	13	3	9 00	5 40	6 2	4 50	3 00	.....	.....	.....
BEAVER DAM DISTRICT																		
	J. E. Coleman, District Elder																	
Beaver Dam and Calamus.....	R. Carne.....	30	.....	30	1	2	1	7	40	5	9 00	5 40	7 50	4 50	3 00	.....	2 23	14 66
Pardeeville and Pacific.....	R. H. Warten.....	19	.....	19	.....	.....	1	8	40	8	5 70	3 42	4 75	2 85	1 90	.....	6 00	.....
Portage and Calconia.....	E. N. Hawley.....	31	6	37	.....	.....	1	6	31	3	11 40	6 84	3 05	5 70	3 80	.....	.....	.....
Pierceville and York.....	.....	16	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 30	3 75	3 05	3 15	2 10	.....	.....	.....

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WISCONSIN CONFERENCE—CONTINUED

## OSHKOSH, NORTHWEST AND BARABOO DISTRICTS

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OSHKOSH DISTRICT																		
Oshkosh (Elm Street, Merritt Street).	J. Turgeson, District Elder	40	1	41	9	2	1	9	40	7	\$11 70	\$ 7 02	\$ 9 75	\$ 5 85	\$3 90			\$11 85
Fond du Lac.	A. J. Damon, C. G. Damon, sup.	9								3	2 80	1 33	75	75				
Buckbee and Clintonville.	C. Sigelkow.	11	1	12	1	1	1	7	25	3	3 80	1 98	2 75	1 65	1 10			
Waupaca, Cobtown, Veterans' Home	H. W. Hills.	12	2	14	1	1	1	7	40	2	3 60	3 16	3 00	1 80	1 20			
Rhineland and Three Lakes.	F. F. Wolfe.	17	6	23	2	1	1	5	40	5	5 40	3 34	4 50	2 70	1 80			
Crescent Lake.	Grant Hamilton, supply.																	
NORTHWEST DISTRICT																		
Humbird, Augusta, Hale, York Cent. etc	J. Turgeson, District Elder	83	14	97	1	4	3	18	75	16	20 70	12 42	17 25	10 35	6 90			78 62
Emerald.	N. B. Ghormley, A. Raym'd, sup.	7			7					1	2 45	1 26	1 40	1 05	70			
Barron county.	W. Hoegh, supply.	63	20	83	3	4	28	140	13	15 90	9 64	9 64	13 25	7 95				48 75
Sherman, Menomonee, Pleasant Valley	E. A. Wolfe.	15	15	30						4	5 25	2 60	1 50	2 00	55			
Jackson county.	Lisa M. Saugstad, supply.	7								5	1 00	50	50					1 50
BARABOO DISTRICT																		
Baraboo and Excelsior.	J. Turgeson, District Elder	14		14			2	5	30	2	4 80	2 88	4 00	2 40	60			18 50
Hills Prairie, Lavalle, Revells Valley	E. Z. Thwing	37	8	45	1	3	16	50	9	2	8 70	5 22	7 25	4 35	2 90			10 92
Camp Douglas and Necedah.	A. E. Knaak.	4		4						2	1 75	75	25	50				4 00
Total.		825 135	960 24	960 24	22 83	187	980	166	\$243 37.	\$141 63	\$169 31	\$118 91	\$55 60	\$90 51	\$942 92			

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE WISCONSIN CONFERENCE—  
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CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No. of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
EVANSVILLE DISTRICT											
Evansville and Albany.....			\$75 61		\$373 50	\$110 00	\$22 00	1	\$ 925	1	\$ 800
Milwaukee (First Church).....			36 96		368 64	42 00	37 25	1	5200	1	.....
Milwaukee (Second Church).....	\$1 20	\$1 20	29 35	\$ 51	422 00	60 00	26 36	1	3500	1	.....
Waukesha and Colgate.....					241 80	24 37		1	2800		.....
Palmyra and Whitewater.....			6 07		231 38	34 72	10 45	2	2500		.....
Sharon.....						12 00	14 24	1	600		.....
Racine.....											.....
PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT											
Platteville, Cuba, New Diggings.....			8 00		300 69	81 02		3	3600	1	1800
Montfort and Fennimore.....		7 00			129 00	18 00		1	1200	1	400
Livingston, Arthur, Annaton.....					275 00	82 00	75 00	2	1300	1	500
Werley and Boscobel.....					89 38	24 50	7 00	2	1700		.....
RICHLAND DISTRICT											
Richland Center and Ithaca.....			15 00		270 00	41 60	34 16	1	2000	1	1000
Gillingham, Hub City, Millcreek..	5 00		12 00		342 10	84 83	46 05	2	2100	1	700
Little Willow and Loyd.....			11 22		113 30	22 21	1 25	2	1700	1	475
Lafarge, Bear Creek, Weister Creek			1 95		172 19	31 75	33 00	1	600		.....
BEAVER DAM DISTRICT											
Beaver Dam and Calamus.....	4 50		8 15		400 00	50 68		1	2500	1	1200
Pardeeville and Pacific.....	3 00		21 56		387 00	50 00	30 31	1	800	1	1200
Portage and Caledonia.....			18 00		301 02	61 00		2	1000		.....
Pierceville and York.....						38 80		2	2000		.....
OSHKOSH DISTRICT											
Oshkosh (Elm Street, Merritt St.)..			19 23		357 10	60 32		2	5000	2	.....
Fond du Lac.....						10 00					.....
Buckbee and Clintonville.....			10 00		125 68	23 81		2	800		.....
Waupaca, Cobtown, etc.....			6 30		50 31	45 78					.....
Rhineland and Three Lakes.....	2 70		22 26		530 00	43 70	15 50	2	3200	1	.....
Crescent Lake.....											.....
NORTHWEST DISTRICT											
Humbird, Augusta, Hale, etc.....			31 49		450 01	146 48	33 00	2	1750	1	450
Emerald.....					33 00	25 59		1	800		.....
Barron county.....			40 00	25	260 00	89 00	23 50	1	500		.....
Sherman, Menomonie, etc.....							15 13				.....
Jackson county.....		50			79 11	10 03	21 11				.....
BARABOO DISTRICT											
Baraboo and Excelsior.....		1 25	12 00		160 00	29 64		2	2300	1	.....
Hills Prairie, Lavalie, etc.....			15 00		200 54	59 14	24 84	3	2450		.....
Camp Douglas and Necedah.....						8 66					.....
Total.....	\$16 40	\$9 95	\$400 15	\$ 76	\$6662 75	\$1426 63	\$470 20	42	\$52825 16		\$8525

# PLATTE RIVER CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session, held near Central City, Nebraska,  
September 4-8, 1901

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On Reforms—C. H. Foe, C. H. Sawyer, G. W. Johnston.

On the State of the Work—The district elders.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—D. M. Smashey, J. B. May, Walter Bagley, George Vogt.

To Receive Conference Collections—K. Thomas, B. F. Closson.

On Publishing the Minutes—The secretaries.

To Raise Funds for Publishing the Minutes—F. Dubois, A. F. Smith.

On Missions—The stationing committee.

On Ministerial Relations—B. R. Jones, B. F. Closson, J. W. Thomas, J. H. Anderson, F. Robertson.

On Claimants and Claims—B. R. Jones, K. Thomas, B. F. Closson, F. Robertson, J. H. Anderson.

To Nominate Trustees for Orleans Seminary—B. F. Closson, F. Robertson, C. H. Foe, G. W. Johnston, A. F. Smith.

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B. F. Closson, president; C. H. Foe, secretary; J. W. Edwards, A. A. Peterson, F. Robertson.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

J. W. Thomas, secretary, five years; B. F. Closson, four years; K. Thomas, three years; J. W. Edwards, two years; F. D. Christie, president, one year.

## CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR

On Education—J. W. Thomas.

On Publications—C. H. Foe.

On Reforms—B. F. Closson, George Vogt.

On Sabbath-schools—W. R. Todd.

On State of the Work—The district elders.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

K. Thomas,  
J. W. Thomas,  
G. W. Woogerd,  
C. H. Foe,  
A. R. Baxter,  
C. H. Sawyer,

B. F. Closson,  
W. R. Todd,  
G. W. Johnston,  
W. L. Giersdorf,  
C. Wheeler,  
S. T. Robinson,

D. D. Dodge,  
Frank Dubois,  
George Vogt,  
F. D. Christie,  
G. W. Hayes,  
J. W. Adams.

J. W. Edwards,  
D. M. Smashey,  
A. K. Main,  
M. V. Hawk,  
J. M. Eggers.



## DELEGATES

J. M. Paris,	Fannie Hughes,	Frances L. Lovell,	Charles Knox,
A. A. Peterson,	Barbara Gundy,	Mary Burch,	J. D. Lanum,
Ida Hornberger,	J. B. May,	J. H. Anderson,	T. H. Hendron,
Oscar Carlson,	Walter Bagley,	Frank Robertson,	Atwell Smith,
Carrie M. Frain,	Eliza E. Thomas,	Sarah Bennett,	Myrtle Trimble,
W. W. Beyer,			

2. Who are the stationing committee? B. R. Jones, K. Thomas, B. F. Closson, J. H. Anderson, Frank Robertson.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? G. E. Bennett, G. W. Tinker.

4. Who remain on trial? R. A. Gould, W. R. Mattox, A. L. Dunkin.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? J. M. Eggers.

6. Who are the deacons? George Vogt, M. V. Hawk, A. R. Baxter, G. W. Johnston, G. W. Hayes, J. W. Adams, W. L. Giersdorf, J. M. Eggers; J. R. Mylander, local deacon.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? A. K. Main, C. H. Foe.

8-10. No business.

11. Who have been received by transfer and from what conference? C. H. Sawyer, an ordained elder from West Iowa conference; S. T. Robinson, an ordained elder from the Nebraska conference.

12. Who have withdrawn from the conference this year? None.

13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? D. D. Dodge, G. W. Hayes, A. K. Main, F. D. Christie, D. M. Smashey.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed, except B. F. Taylor, who was suspended from the ministry for one year.

15. Who have died this year? None.

16-20. See reports and statistics.

21-23. No business.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? Within the bounds of the Orleans district, the exact location to be left to the quarterly conference of that district, and the time to be as near August 25, 1902, as may suit the convenience of the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The sixth annual session of the Platte River conference was held in connection with a camp-meeting near Central City, Nebraska, September 4-8, 1901. General Superintendent B. R. Jones presided in an able and impartial manner. The number of persons in the encampment was not as large as in former years, but the meeting was conceded to be one of the best in the history of the conference.

The following named brethren visited the conference: Rev. F. D. Brooke, of the Illinois conference; Rev. B. C. Dewey, of the Central Illinois conference; Rev. E. Ballenger and Rev. O. L. Barnes, of the Nebraska conference.

On Friday afternoon a service in the interest of Christian education was conducted by the financial agent of Orleans Seminary. Rev. W. W. Bruce, principal, delivered an interesting and instructive address. Cash and subscriptions amounting to about \$300, were received for the school.

## APPOINTMENTS

### ORLEANS DISTRICT.—J. W. EDWARDS, District Elder, Orleans, Nebraska.

Orleans, Riverside, Bethel and Atlanta ..... C. H. Sawyer, Orleans, Nebraska  
 Alma and Republican ..... J. M. Eggers, Alma, "  
 Bloomington and Pleasant View ..... A. R. Baxter, Orleans, "  
 F. D. Christie, granted certificate of standing with view to transfer; J. W. Thomas, financial agent Orleans Seminary, Orleans, Nebraska; George Vogt, left without appointment to attend Orleans Seminary, Orleans, Nebraska.

### CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.—J. W. EDWARDS, District Elder.

Oxford, Edison, Precept and Beaver City ..... K. Thomas, Orleans, Nebraska  
 Wilsonville and Cambridge ..... A. F. Smith, supply, Orleans, "  
 Indianola and Curtis ..... A. Anderson, supply, Curtis, "  
 G. W. Hayes, granted certificate of standing with view to transfer; S. T. Robinson, evangelist, Box 55, Yutan, Nebraska.

### NORTH PLATTE DISTRICT.—J. W. EDWARDS, District Elder.

North Platte and Banner ..... R. A. Gould, North Platte, Nebraska  
 Wellfleet, Pleasanthill and Maywood ..... W. L. Giersdorf, Wellfleet, "  
 Wallace and Strickland ..... Rosetta Bond, Florence McNees, supplies, Wallace, "  
 W. R. Todd, left without appointment at his request, Wellfleet, Nebraska.

### ANSLEY DISTRICT.—B. F. CLOSSON, District Elder, Central City, Nebraska.

Ansley, Elk creek, and Round Grove .....  
 J. M. Paris, supply, Ansley, Nebraska; W. J. Farnham, supply, Litchfield, Nebraska  
 Sargent, Zion Hill and Burwell ..... M. V. Hawk, Ansley, "  
 Comstock, Westerville and Lone Elm .....  
 George E. Bennett; Sarah Bennett, supply, Huxley, Nebraska  
 New Helena and Walworth ..... Florence Elison, supply, Walworth, "  
 Ravenna and Gibbon ..... G. W. Tinker, Ravenna, "  
 J. W. Adams and W. R. Mattox, left without appointment at their own request.

### CENTRAL CITY DISTRICT.—B. F. CLOSSON, District Elder.

Central City and Marquette ..... Mrs. Etta Johnston, supply, Stark, Nebraska  
 Belgrade, Mt. Pleasant and Christian Ridge ..... F. Dubois, Belgrade, "  
 Albion and Independence ..... A. L. Dunkin, Albion, "  
 Stark and Low Prairie ..... G. W. Johnston, Stark, "  
 St. Paul and Concrete ..... C. H. Foe, St. Paul, "  
 A. K. Main, D. M. Smashey, granted certificate of standing with view to transfer;  
 G. W. Wooger, left without appointment at his request, Albion, Nebraska; C. Wheeler, left without appointment, Albion, Nebraska.

### HASTINGS DISTRICT.—B. F. CLOSSON, District Elder.

Giltner and Prosser ..... J. H. Anderson, supply, Central City, Nebraska  
 Fairfield, Hastings and Shickley ..... To be supplied  
 Bluehill, Otto and Rosemont ..... Olive Foe, supply, Bluehill, Nebraska  
 D. D. Dodge, granted certificate of standing with view to transfer.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON STATE OF THE WORK.

Your committee on state of the work would make the following report: Six camp-meetings have been held, besides the conference camp-meeting. Also two Fourth of July meetings, one of which was continued nearly a week. One good parsonage has been built and two churches finished. One of the churches has an upstairs consisting of some seven rooms which is used as a parsonage. This building has been purchased this year.

We note with regret a loss of forty-three members, as shown by our statistical report. A number of these had moved from the several circuits before last conference, others since, and some have been disposed of for infraction of Discipline.

Revival work has been greatly hindered during the year by small-pox, yet over and

above this there has been a manifest lack of a revival spirit in many quarters of our conference the greater part of the year. However, we are thankful to report a better condition as the conference year closed, revivals beginning to break out. We call attention to the lack of interest in our general quarterly meetings. They should be more generally attended. Our disciplinary rule on the announcement and observance of our quarterly fasts should be more strictly observed. That we may be more efficient let us beware of heart and church divisions.

## II.—ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

There are but few among us who deprecate learning. As a church we believe to educate is a duty we owe to God, to ourselves and to humanity. Education and the religion of Jesus Christ go hand in hand; each needs and supplements the other.

The logic of the Apostle Paul, backed by the energy of the Holy Ghost, has for centuries shook the world and is still helping to mould the character and destiny of millions. From the lips of Luther, "the Master of Arts," sounded forth such profound and masterly arguments as shook the eastern continent. The hill tops and valleys of Switzerland and Germany echoed with decisive truth until the very heavens became a sounding board which caused a right-about face in the whole Christian world. The learned Wesleys and Whitefield from the halls of learning started a stream of religious intelligence and of grace that has flooded the world. So with the burning eloquence of Melancthon, Fletcher, Watson, Bramwell, Asbury, Coke, and a host of others who through God did valiantly.

However, we deprecate the hue and cry of this temporizing age, "Give us educated men—men who by their learning can humble the atheist and infidel and confound the opposer." The great apostle has long since in thunder tones that may be heard above this din and roar said, "Not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble are called." Then education is not the thing of greatest importance. It is not for the lack of education that the cause of God lies bleeding from a thousand wounds; but for the want of men of deep, fervent piety who possess a fidelity to conviction. When others fall they will stand like a beaten anvil to the stroke; when others let go they will cling to the high hand of heaven. It is not book lore that this apostate, decaying age needs, but men baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire who are pressing on in their unconquerable quest for souls. The great need of the hour is holy men of God who will toil and be patient.

We believe in an educated ministry, for a mind untrained is like an uncultivated garden or a vine without props, left to creep along the lower realms of thought; but we do deplore that kind of learning which smells of the musty walls and smoke of lamps, which expatiates the whys and wherefores of all things in general and specifies nothing, timid and afraid to beard the lion in his den, afraid to force an issue or handle sin without gloves or preach the truth without apology, an inflated head ready at every chance to vent itself. Such learning should be relegated to the background of eternal forgetfulness. When such education has gained the ascendancy it is the deplorable history of the church that the educated ministers monopolize the pulpits and their unlearned, yet more humble and successful brother minister is branded as a crank or is respectfully superannuated.

However, we place no premium on ignorance. We would recommend that our ministers make due pulpit preparation for the reason that we cannot tell others what we ourselves do not know. Like Vulcan, who in his immortal armor forged thoughts for the gods, so the minister of the gospel should be endued with power from on high, and in his study, on his knees, and in the midst of his books forge immortal truth for his people. "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth," is the admonition of Paul.

We further recommend that when your children arrive at a suitable age you patronize at least one of our schools. Orleans Seminary should be heartily supported by us as a people. Under the present administration we believe if all will lend a helping hand we may succeed. We are pleased to note the tokens of its prosperity, both educationally and financially. The present principal, W. W. Bruce, is a man of marked ability and piety. John W. Thomas having been appointed financial agent of this institution for the ensuing year, we trust our people will give him a hearty welcome, and we urge our preachers especially to assist him in his labor in the interest of the school.

## III.—ON PUBLICATIONS.

As a people we hold that good literature in our homes is necessary to our success as a church. Holding as we do to Bible doctrine, we will not support any religious publication which does not teach it in its purity.

Our denominational organ, the *Free Methodist*, is ably edited, and is free from fictitious matter, and filled with articles calculated to inspire confidence in the doctrines held so sacred by us. We cannot be well informed Free Methodists without it. We regret that the editorial pages are so silent on the subject of prohibition. We regard silence on this great subject as sufficient ground for alarm. We heartily endorse and appreciate the efforts of the *Free Methodist* to make the ministers and members of our church feel the importance and necessity of Christian education; but we see a rock in this channel upon which

other churches have wrecked their ministry—it is the attempt to substitute an educated ministry for those, who, though ignorant in worldly wisdom, yet through God have been “mighty in pulling down strongholds.” In the past God has called into his service many learned men, as Moses, Paul, etc. He also has called a few like Gideon and his company, with their pitchers and lamps; David and his sling; Samson with his “jaw-bone of an ass,” and Shamgar, who smote six hundred Philistines, hip and thigh, with his ox-goad.

We recognize the *Missionary Tidings* as the organ of our missionary work, and consider it the best channel through which we can keep in touch with this work and with our faithful missionaries now in the foreign field. We also recommend the Sabbath-school literature, sent out by our publishing house, as the very best, and strongly urge its use in all our schools. We believe the *Earnest Christian* to be a magazine devoted to the spreading of scriptural holiness over the land in harmony with the work of the church.

We are pleased to note the growth and prosperity of our publishing interests and the increased number of good books recently brought out; and we recommend that our publications be more prominently recognized by our ministers as standard works. We learn with pleasure that our publishing agents have so conducted the business committed to their care that the financial standing of our publishing house with banking houses and other business enterprises is first-class.

#### IV.—ON REFORMS.

We rejoice that as a church we have our place in the front ranks on reform, and if we “remove not the ancient landmarks which our fathers have set,” we shall meet every issue of the day in the fear of God and take our stand on the side of righteousness and truth. We reaffirm our opposition to the liquor traffic, Romanism, tobacco, and the secret society system, and pledge ourselves by voice and vote to maintain a warfare against the same.

We feel that evil speaking is one of the devil’s mighty weapons to destroy the work of God and create division among us. Many of our preachers neglect to read Mr. Wesley’s sermon on “Evil Speaking,” according to paragraph 139, page 68, of the Discipline. But simply reading it will be of no avail unless we practice it ourselves and kindly reprove those who violate the Bible rule to “Speak evil of no man.” Brethren, can we not start a reform on the line of evil speaking that will drive this curse from our midst?

We desire to call attention to family government and advise a radical reform on this line. We deplore the fact that so many children of Free Methodist parents either connect themselves with worldly churches or else continue in the world without God. We believe that if parents will “command their children and their household after them,” and train up their children in the way they should go, when they are old they will not depart from it. If we fail in getting our children saved, what hope have we of reaching others? May God impress on our hearts the importance of bringing up our children for God.

We would further call attention to chapter 10, on page 85, of the Free Methodist Discipline, and we believe if these rules were observed by the class leaders and stewards, that fewer of our preachers would be compelled to labor with their hands and could devote their entire time and energies to God’s work.

We deem it profitable to “stir up your pure minds” on the dress question by putting you in remembrance that it is “the little foxes that spoil the vines,” and that slight departures from plainness in dress will at last result in wholesale conformity to the world.

We are convinced that in order for us to maintain our position of opposition to everything that is opposed to godliness, we must be clear and definite in the experience of regeneration and entire sanctification. We deplore the lack of definite holiness preaching and teaching by some of our ministers, and that so many of our people mistake a blessing for the experience of entire sanctification, which delivers us from all sin and gives us “perfect love that casteth out fear.” We think this is the cause of the unsettled condition of affairs among us, and the vacillating experience of some, and we insist on a reform on this line. We pray that God may help us as preachers to keep before the people the Bible standard of justification, and the necessity of every believer being sanctified wholly. Let us be straight in theory, positive and definite in experience, and practical and clean in life.

#### V.—ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, as a conference, deem it especially necessary in these days of formality and spiritual decline to urge the older members of our church to greater earnestness in our Sabbath-school work. In many places our schools are hindered on account of the lack of interest by the older members. Parents should insist upon their children being at the place appointed at the regular hour for Sabbath-school, and not only send their children, but be there themselves. No factor except home training has so great an influence upon the life of the child as the Sabbath-school. We appreciate the pureness and unworldliness of the Free Methodist literature and urge upon our members the importance of its use. The future success of our church depends largely on the spiritual training of our children, and it should be the united effort of every officer and teacher to endeavor to lead them to Christ.



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ORLEANS, CAMBRIDGE, NORTH PLATTE, ANSLEY, CENTRAL CITY AND HASTINGS DISTRICTS

CHARGE		PREACHER																
		Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to Gen-eral Conference	Foreign Mission-ary Claim	Woman's Foreign Mis-sionary Soci-eties	
ORLEANS DISTRICT																		
Kersey Thomas, District Elder	63	3	66	3	1	1	11	75	15	\$21 38	\$10 98	\$16 00	\$9 60	\$5 02		\$ 2 50	2883	
C. H. Sawyer, supply.	23		23		1	1	8	32	7	8 10		6 75	4 05	1 00			3 88	
Clara J. Christie, supply.	11		11		1	1	5	25	3	3 00	1 80	2 50	1 60	1 00		1 62		
F. Wilson, N. Robertson, sup.	13		13		2	1	5	25	3	3 00	1 80	2 50	1 60	1 00				
A. B. Baxter	11		11		1	1	5	20	2	4 85	3 96	5 50	3 30	2 20				
J. W. Thomas	26		26		1	1	5	20	2	4 85	3 96	5 50	3 30	2 20				
CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT																		
Kersey Thomas, District Elder	9		9						3		20	2 50	1 50	1 00				
J. R. Mylander, supply.	14		14		1	1	5	15	2			1 75	1 05	05		1 25		
Frank Dubois	7		7		1	1			1	2 64	1 44	2 00	1 20	40				
C. Hauxwell, supply	7		7															
J. Stirdivant, supply	7		7															
NORTH PLATE DISTRICT																		
Kersey Thomas, District Elder	25	6	31	1	1	1	5	30	6	1 21	1 40	1 65	2 05	1 10		1 35		
R. A. Gould, A. Anderson, sup	10		10						2	2 00	2 34	3 25	1 95	1 30				
W. R. Todd	12	4	16		1	1	4	12	6	3 98	2 16	3 00	1 80	1 20		5 00	1 00	
Rosetta Bond, supply	25		25		2	2	11	45	3	3 00	2 18	5 00	3 00	1 00				
B. F. Closson, District Elder	13		13		1	1	4	20	5	2 06		4 25	2 55	1 70		1 35		
M. V. Hawk	15		15		1	1	4	20	5	2 98		2 25	1 55	1 00				
A. L. Dunkin	16		16		1	1	2	10										
G. E. and Sarah Bennett, sup.	12		12		1	1			1	2 30	2 00	2 00	36	1 00				
G. W. Johnston, E. Johnston, sup	17		17		1	1			5	1 31	3 60	5 00	3 00	2 00		1 08	2 08	
Eljah Owens, supply	17		17		1	1												
W. R. Mattox	17		17		1	1												
G. W. Tinker, supply	10		10		1	1	8	16	3	1 90	2 34	3 25	1 95	1 30		6 56		
B. F. Closson, District Elder	10		10		1	1	2	12	5	6 80	3 06	10 75	4 72	1 00		4 50		
George Vogt	40	1	41	1	2	2	6	30	11									
D. M. Smashey	14		14		1	1	2	6	80									
B. F. Taylor	17		17		1	1	2	11	8	2 10	1 10	2 34	2 70			2 70		
W. L. Giersdorf	13		13		1	1	6	25	9	3 53	2 52	3 50	2 10	1 40		15 00		
A. K. Mann	13	1	14															
CENTRAL CITY DISTRICT																		
B. F. Closson, District Elder	10		10		1	1	8	16	3	1 90	2 34	3 25	1 95	1 30		6 56		
George Vogt	40	1	41	1	2	2	6	30	11									
D. M. Smashey	14		14		1	1	2	6	80									
Belgrade, Mt. Pleasant, Fullerton.	14		14		1	1	2	6	80									
Albion and St. Edwards.	14		14		1	1	2	6	80									
St. Paul and Scotia.	17		17		1	1	2	11	8	2 10	1 10	2 34	2 70			2 70		
St. Paul and Scotia.	17		17		1	1	2	11	8	2 10	1 10	2 34	2 70			2 70		
Marquette and Low Prairie.	13	1	14							3 53	2 52	3 50	2 10	1 40		15 00		
HASTINGS DISTRICT																		
B. F. Closson, District Elder	12	2	14	2	1	1			4	4 20	2 52	3 50	2 10	1 40		3 25		
Hastings and Giltner.	13		13		1	1	4	14	4	4 85	2 52	3 50	2 10	1 40		14 00	1 00	
Bluehill and Otto.	5	1	6	1	1	1	4	10	1	87		2 00	1 20	80		1 50		
Oliver Foe, supply	13		13															
R. F. Leight, supply.	13		13															
Fairfield and Springbranch.	13		13															
Total	442	24	466	18	15	21	111	492	108	\$81 06	\$46 12	\$96 23	\$53 55	\$30 07		\$61 66	\$46 17	

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE PLATTE RIVER CONFERENCE—  
CONTINUED

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No. of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
ORLEANS DISTRICT											
Orleans.....			\$24 22		\$326 89	\$50 00		1	\$ 100		
Alma and Republican City.....					181 00	31 60		1	800	1	\$200
Bloomington and Pleasant View.....			15 51		53 05	32 47	\$33 78				
Atlanta and Holdrege.....					40 00	13 75	3 00	1	550		
Philadelphia and Precept.....					240 00	24 23		1	600		
CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT											
Cambridge and Wilsonville.....					96 00	24 69	1 90			1	300
Oxford and Edison.....					150 00	20 55		1	900		
Indianola and McCook.....						14 20					
Curtis and Stockville.....					26 60	17 86					
NORTH PLATTE DISTRICT											
North Platte and Banner.....					169 30	37 28	27 20				
Wellfleet, Pleasanthill, Maywood.....					45 00	22 81					
Wallace and Strickland.....			3 10		111 28	22 00	5 75	1	200		
ANSLEY DISTRICT											
Ansley and Elkcreek.....			8 00		24 50	27 33		1	200		
Sargent and Taylor.....					99 24	30 00					
Litchfield and Clear Creek.....			4 30		43 25	18 22	1 25	1	100		
Wescott and Westerville.....					21 25	24 69		1	50	1	75
Burwell and Ord.....						1 50					
New Helena, Walworth, etc.....	\$1 00				34 28	27 44					
Ravenna, Kearney, Gibbon.....			4 25		202 16	22 11		1	550	1	350
CENTRAL CITY DISTRICT											
Central City.....	2 93		12 59		231 50	32 38		1	1100		
Belgrade, Mt. Pleasant, Fullerton.....					420 00	51 20		1	1000	1	700
Albion and St. Edwards.....			7 00		360 00			1	1000	1	600
St. Paul and Scotia.....					150 00	23 27	6 00			1	650
Marquette and Low Prairie.....			11 94		263 31	46 60	3 75			1	550
HASTINGS DISTRICT											
Hastings and Giltner.....					234 50	32 01	21 85			1	300
Bluehill and Otto.....	2 15		7 89		43 20	32 58	6 42				
Fairfield and Springbranch.....			2 20		144 45	17 45				1	400
Total.....	\$6 08		\$101 00		\$3610 76	\$698 22	\$110 90	12	\$7150	10	\$4125



# TEXAS CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Twenty-second Annual Session, held at Greenville, Texas,  
October 30–November 2, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

R. A. THOMPSON, Secretary.

W. C. ROSE, Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—E. P. Hart, J. C. Pierce, R. A. Thompson.

On Publications—George McCulloch, J. C. Pierce, J. B. Brigman.

On Reforms—J. G. Adams, B. Helm, J. C. Pierce.

On Publishing the Minutes—R. A. Thompson, W. C. Rose.

On Sunday-schools—Miss Ada Edwards, Mrs. P. A. Kimball.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—George McCulloch, J. F. Hendricks.

On the State of the Work—J. C. Pierce, R. A. Thompson.

To Receive Conference Collections—M. M. Lowry, M. L. Lancaster.

To Raise Funds to Publish the Minutes—W. H. Lathrop.

On Temperance—J. G. Adams, M. L. Lancaster.

On Conference Missions—E. P. Hart, R. A. Thompson, J. C. Pierce, J. G. Adams, Thomas Abbott.

## CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

S. H. Owens, W. H. Lathrop, one year; George McCulloch, L. A. Miller, W. M. Adams, two years; R. A. Thompson, W. C. Rose, three years.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

George McCulloch, R. A. Thompson, W. C. Rose, Thomas Abbott, J. B. Brigman.

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

George McCulloch, R. A. Thompson, W. C. Rose, W. M. Adams, J. C. Pierce.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

George McCulloch,	R. A. Thompson,	M. L. Lancaster,	W. H. Lathrop,
W. C. Rose,	W. M. Adams,	J. C. Pierce,	M. M. Lowry,
L. A. Miller,	B. Helm,	S. H. Owens,	H. A. Hanson,
J. F. Hendricks.			

### DELEGATES

J. G. Adams,	Mrs. P. A. Kimball.	T. J. Humphries,	Thomas Abbott,
S. B. Ellison,	H. F. Adams,	Ada Edwards,	D. O. Brown,
H. H. Havard,	Pierce Wisdom,	J. J. Truett,	W. P. Southall,
J. S. Hill,	E. C. Morris.		

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, R. A. Thompson, J. C. Pierce, J. G. Adams, Thomas Abbott.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? T. J. Jacks, J. G. Adams.

4. Who remain on trial? J. B. McBride, R. E. Fletcher, W. A. Nash.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? H. A. Hanson.

6, 11, 12. None.

7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? L. A. Miller.

8. Who have located this year? J. H. Castleberry, S. P. Coffman, W. D.

McGraw.

9. Who are the supernumerary preachers? J. C. Pierce.
10. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers? George McCulloch.
13. Who have been given certificates of good standing with a view to transfer to another conference? A. G. Galbraith.
14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.
- 16-22. See statistical report.
23. See statistical and treasurer's reports.
24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.
25. Where and when shall our next conference be held? At Terrill, Texas, as near the first of October, 1902, as will suit the general superintendents.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The twenty-second session of the Texas conference was held in the chapel of the Holiness University at Greenville, Texas, October 30-November 2, 1901. Five sittings were held. A spirit of unity and brotherly love prevailed. General Superintendent E. P. Hart presided with admirable ability and great tenderness and consideration for all. He also preached three able and highly profitable sermons.

The W. F. M. S. held an interesting meeting Saturday at 3 p. m., presided over by the conference president, Mrs. H. E. Thompson. Addresses were made by Rev. W. H. Winters and others. A collection of \$24.00 was taken.

A collection of fifteen cents per member was ordered taken for home missions.

## APPOINTMENTS

DALLAS DISTRICT.—R. A. THOMPSON, District Elder, 722 Washington avenue, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas.....	S. H. Owens, McKinnon street, Dallas, Texas
Ennis.....	W. C. Rose, Ennis, "
Corsicana.....	To be supplied
Paradise circuit.....	W. M. Adams
Ft. Worth and Collinsville .....	B. Helm, Collinsville, Texas
Oak and Grandview circuits.....	L. A. Miller, Oak, Ellis county, "
Muirhead circuit.....	H. A. Hanson

J. F. Hendricks, conference evangelist, Mountain Peak, Texas; J. G. Adams, conference evangelist, Ft. Worth, Texas.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.—R. A. THOMPSON, District Elder.

San Antonio and San Marcos .....	W. A. Nash
Rockdale.....	C. C. Schulz, supply

ROCKWALL DISTRICT.—M. L. LANCASTER, District Elder, Quinlan, Texas.

Rockwall circuit .....	J. B. McBride, Rockwall, Texas
Lawrence circuit.....	S. B. Gorey
Terrell .....	W. H. Lathrop
Greenville circuit.....	W. H. Winters, supply
Canton circuit.....	T. J. Jacks
Big Sandy and Starville circuit.....	M. M. Lowry, Starville, Texas

NACOGDOCHES DISTRICT.—M. L. LANCASTER, District Elder.

Nacogdoches circuit.....	R. E. Fletcher
McClellan and Sharpville circuit .....	To be supplied
Zavalla, Homer and Peach Tree .....	A. A. Dubose, supply, Smith's Ferry, Texas

## LOCAL PREACHERS AND EVANGELISTS

L. D. Wright	Byron, Texas
I. N. Morris	Oak, "
Warren Parker	Corsicana, "
George Anderson	Cleburn, "
J. P. Morris	Auburn, "
G. F. Shattuck	Alvarado, "
C. E. Rose	Dallas, "
A. E. Hallmark	Oak, "
O. L. Leonard	
J. N. Whitehead	Ripley, Mississippi
Mrs. M. J. Peppers	Ennis, Texas
Mrs. M. J. Fix	Ennis, "
C. B. Anderson	San Antonio, "
W. S. Curtis	Gatesville, "
C. C. Schulz	Rockdale, "
D. D. Duncan	Trinity Mills, "
G. H. Sims	
S. F. Worley	
J. N. Wilson	Melrose, Texas
Almeida Finger	Campbell, "
G. F. Finger	Campbell, "
J. F. Henderson	Woodville, "
A. A. Dubose	Smith's Ferry, "
Miss Ada Edwards	Dallas, "
Miss Lily Snow	Rockwall, "
J. S. Hill	Greenville, "
J. F. Anderson	Greenville, "
M. W. Burgess	Greenville, "
Mrs. M. L. Lamm	Tidwell, "
R. R. Smith	Greenville, "
W. R. Hill	Terrell, "
— Lightsay	Hopewell, "

## RESOLUTIONS

We, your committee on resolutions, beg leave to report as follows:

WHEREAS, The Rev. George McCulloch has spent the last nineteen years in faithful life and labors in the Texas conference of the Free Methodist church, and

WHEREAS, He is now unable, on account of feeble health, to take work, therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That this conference greatly regrets his present condition rendering it necessary for him to superannuate. 2. That this conference, as a body, extend their many thanks for his godly counsel and encouraging advice in the past, and for his untiring labors and unbounding fidelity to the cause of God and the church. 3. That we extend our Christian sympathy to him in his present condition and pledge ourselves to assist him to the extent of his needs. 4. That we make his case a subject of special prayer for his recovery and continued ministry among us.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## I.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Apportioned, \$144.90.

By cash and receipts, \$125; by public collection, \$19.90. Total, \$144.90.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Assessed, \$86.94.

Surplus, 1899, \$1.90; surplus, 1900, .45; by receipts and cash, \$84.59. Total, \$86.94.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$72.45.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—Assessed and paid, \$48.30.

CONFERENCE MISSIONS.—Amount raised, \$61.41.

Appropriated as follows: By receipts to W. H. Lathrop, \$6.85; M. M. Lowry, \$15.00; R. E. Fletcher, \$15.00; H. A. Hanson, \$10.00; J. C. Pierce, \$10.00; box for conference records, \$4.56; surplus, \$.05. Total, \$61.41.

CONFERENCE SUPERANNUATE FUND.—Amount on hand November 7, 1900, \$42.90; interest at 8 per cent., \$3.44. Total on hand, November 2, 1901, \$46.42.

On motion gave to George McCulloch, \$46.42.

## II.—ON TEMPERANCE.

As to temperance according to the modern acceptance of the term we regard it as too mild. Temperance as applied by the average person of to-day means the moderate use of liquors, at least as a medicine. This is just as good as the devil would ask, and as a result we see displayed on the shelves of drug stores, and in many instances grocery stores, bottles containing preparations that are sold and used for beverage purposes, under the guise of medicine. Such are Peruna, Wild Cherry Bitters, and many others that we could mention. Especially do we wish to call your attention to the malt extracts that are being sold and recommended for mothers and infants, which is a device of the devil to create an appetite among children for beer.

Since the liquor dealers' associations are passing flaming temperance resolutions, we think it high time for the churches to take an advanced step. We therefore recommend total abstinence and absolute prohibition as the only ground of safety. We can never be efficient workers in the cause of temperance and prohibition until we have entirely severed our connection with the vile and hell populating business. The liquor traffic, under the license system, is parading our beautiful country, blighting, withering and cursing with its iron grasp the entire political fabric of our glorious republic, thereby undermining the fundamental principles upon which this government was constructed, namely, life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. We as a Free Methodist church believe that the liquor traffic cannot be legalized without sin. Therefore, as the law making power lies within the ballot, and the voters cast the ballots, the individual who votes with any party that stands for the legalization of the accursed traffic commits sin. We therefore recommend that as a church we pledge ourselves to vote as we pray and to support by our ballots only such political parties as are antagonistic to the licensed liquor traffic as shown in their platforms. We further recommend that our people so far as possible, subscribe for and read the *New Voice*, published at Chicago, Illinois.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE TEXAS CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
DALLAS DISTRICT											
Dallas.....			\$26 20		\$405 10	\$116 42	\$19 45	1	1210	1	\$ 700
Ennis.....				\$3 25	350 00	40 30	24 95	1	1000	1	1000
Oak circuit.....			12 82	85	200 55	39 17	54 00	2	1325	1	400
Grandview circuit.....					88 75	60 60	35 25				
Paradise circuit.....			12 00	2 10	262 00	47 00	22 00	1	300	1	200
Collinsville.....					45 00	23 60	8 00				
SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT											
San Antonio and San Marcos.....			47 90		180 00	22 05	20 50	1	1000	1	1000
Rockdale.....						41 00					
ROCKWALL DISTRICT											
Rockwall circuit.....			19 00		312 50	62 90	40 00	1	1000	1	500
Terrell.....			16 68		223 30	31 15	24 10	1	1000	1	3 0
Lawrence circuit.....			30 00		215 20	55 00	72 10	1	600	1	300
Quinland circuit.....					59 75	19 70	8 05			1	300
Tyler and Starville.....			6 75	15 00	84 00	37 10	30 00	1	200	1	100
Canton circuit.....			4 50		68 10	4 20	27 00	1	200		
Greenville circuit.....	\$1 00				353 00	46 10	29 65				
NACOGDOCHES DISTRICT											
Nacogdoches circuit.....						72 40		1	600	1	3 25
Homer circuit.....					78 39	22 25					
McClellan and Sharpville.....					103 00	25 50					
Total.....	\$1 00		\$175 85	\$6 35	\$2931 61	\$756 14	\$588 55	13	\$8925	11	\$5125

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE TEXAS CONFERENCE

DALLAS, SAN ANTONIO, ROCKWALL AND NACOGDOCHES DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER										Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday-Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodists" taken	Conf. Ants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference.	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
DALLAS DISTRICT	J. C. Pierce, District Elder																									
Dallas.....	J. F. Hendricks.....	50	1	50	4	1	1	9	60	8									\$14 40	\$64	\$7 20	\$7 20	\$1 80			\$12 10
Ennis.....	W. C. Rose.....	25		27	2	2	2		39	8									16 60	8 56	3 30	3 30	4 40			9 60
Oak circuit.....	W. M. Adams.....	42		42	2	2	2	10	39	3									14 70	8 59	7 35	7 35	4 40			28 00
Grandview circuit.....	S. P. Coffman.....	31		31	1	1	1			5									15 50	2 10	5 40	5 40	3 60			
Paradise circuit.....	W. H. Lathrop.....	53	4	57	2	1	5	60	6	9									13 80	8 28	6 90	6 90	4 60			
Collinsville.....	J. C. Pierce.....	20		20						2									3 00	1 80	1 50	1 50	1 00			
SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT	J. C. Pierce, District Elder																									
San Antonio and San Marcos.....	M. M. Lowry.....	15	5	20	1	2	9	60	1	3									3 60	2 16	1 80	1 80	1 30			
Rockdale.....	C. C. Schulz, supply.....	3		3	1														90	54	45	45	30		2 25	
ROCKWALL DISTRICT	R. A. Thompson, Dist. Elder																									
Rockwall circuit.....	L. A. Miller.....	51	1	52	1	2	2	10	60	8									14 40	8 64	7 20	7 20	4 80			
Terrell.....	S. H. Owens.....	29	1	30	1	6	30	5		5									5 70	3 42	2 85	2 85	1 90			
Lawrence circuit.....	J. B. McBride.....	42	8	50	1	2	11	80	10	15									15 61	8 46	5 00	5 00	3 63			4 25
Quinland circuit.....	B. Helm.....	24	2	26	2	1	3	20	4	8									8 40	4 05	4 20	4 20	2 80			
Tyler and Starville.....	R. E. Fletcher.....	18	2	20	2	1	5	40	2	2									3 60	2 16	1 80	1 80	1 20			
Canton circuit.....	J. H. Castleberry.....	16		16						6									2 70	1 62	1 35	1 35	90			
Greenville circuit.....	George McCulloch.....	32	1	33	3	5													7 50	4 50	3 75	3 75	2 50			
NACOGDOCHES DISTRICT	R. A. Thompson, Dist. Elder																									
Nacogdoches circuit.....	R. A. Thompson.....	14	1	14	1					3									5 40	3 24	5 10	5 10	1 80			7 25
Homer circuit.....	A. A. Dubose, supply.....	30	3	33	2					2									5 70	3 42	2 85	2 85	1 90			7 20
McClellan and Sharpville.....	W. A. Nash.....	12		12						10									3 60	2 15	1 15	1 15	1 20			4 55
Total.....		508	28	536	23	12	13	68	449	83									\$135 01	\$79 36	\$69 15	\$69 15	\$45 10		\$45 25	\$44 95

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society raised at conference, \$23.50.

# LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Session, held at Hazlehurst, Mississippi,  
October 24-26, 1901

## OFFICERS

E. P. HART, President.

R. F. CRAWFORD, Secretary.

DAVID DAY, Treasurer.

## COMMITTEES

On Public Worship—David Day, P. C. Kenton.

On Publishing the Minutes—David Day.

On Reforms—N. J. Roark, R. F. Crawford.

On Sabbath-schools—W. Whittington, J. H. Gallander.

To Receive Conference Collections—David Day.

To Collect Funds to Publish the Minutes—F. Scott.

To Examine Quarterly Conference Records—David Day.

## BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY

David Day, P. C. Kenton, W. Whittington, R. F. Crawford, Z. T. Martin.

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## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the preachers and delegates having a seat in this conference?

### PREACHERS

J. E. Beasley.

N. J. Roark,

A J. McKeithen,

David Day,

### DELEGATES

R. F. Crawford,

J. H. Gallander,

Z. T. Martin,

E. A. Crawford.

2. Who are the stationing committee? E. P. Hart, David Day, R. F. Crawford.

3. What preachers are admitted on trial? None.

4. Who remain on trial? W. Whittington, P. C. Kenton.

5. Who are admitted into full connection? Frazier Scott.

6. Who are the deacons? Frazier Scott.

7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 21. None.

14. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation? The character of each was examined and passed.

16, 17, 18, 19, 20. See reports and statistics.

24. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

25. Where, and when, shall our next conference be held? At Black River, Louisiana, beginning about the last Wednesday in October, 1902.

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## APPOINTMENTS

WELCOME HOME DISTRICT.—DAVID DAY, District Elder, Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Franklin Circuit.....P. C. Kenton, Winnsboro, Louisiana

Welcome Home and Summerville .....N. J. Roark, Aimwell, “

Black River and Big Island .....Frazier Scott, Tooley's, “

Natchez.....To be supplied



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**WESSON DISTRICT.**—DAVID DAY, District Elder.

Hazlehurst, Wesson and Beasley Chapel.....Walter Whittington, Ashley, Mississippi  
 Newhope .....A. J. McKeithen, Ora, “  
 J. E. Beasley, left without appointment, Ora, Mississippi.

**CASCILLA DISTRICT.**—DAVID DAY, District Elder.

Stonefield circuit .....To be supplied

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## MISCELLANEOUS

Owing to a lack of timely conveyance from the station to Beasley Chapel, the general superintendent, district elder and others thought it best to move the conference to the station. So by mutual agreement the conference was held at Hazlehurst, Mississippi. We had three sittings of the conference, in all of which peace and harmony prevailed. On motion the conference tendered a vote of thanks to our much esteemed general superintendent, E. P. Hart, for the loving and able manner in which he presided over the conference, and to Brothers Moble and Crawford and their families who so kindly entertained the same. A collection of 15 cents per member was ordered taken next year for conference missionary purposes. A collection was taken Saturday night and Sunday, which was divided among the preachers.

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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### I.—ON FINANCE.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND.—Assessed and paid, \$40.50.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND.—Assessed, \$24.30.

Paid, \$18.54; deficit, \$5.76. Total, \$24.30.

GENERAL MISSIONS.—Assessed and paid, \$20.25.

CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID SOCIETY.—Assessed, \$13.50.

Paid, \$10.30; deficit, \$3.20; Total, \$13.50.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Sunday Schools	Off'rs & Teach'rs	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society
WELCOME HOME DISTRICT	David Day, District Elder	25	2	25	1	1	6	25	2	\$8 70	\$4 50	\$3 75	\$4 35	\$2 30	.....	.....	.....
Franklin circuit.....	Frazier Scott.....	20	2	22	2	1	.....	.....	3	4 80	2 88	2 40	2 40	1 60	.....	.....	.....
Welcome Home and Summerville.....	N. J. Roark.....	21	1	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6 30	2 16	1 80	3 15	1 30	.....	.....	.....
Black River and Big Island.....	Walter Whittington.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1 20	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....
Natchez.....	David Day.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
WESSON DISTRICT	David Day, District Elder	30	10	40	1	.....	.....	.....	6	9 80	5 76	4 80	4 80	3 20	.....	.....	.....
Hazlehurst, Wesson, Beasley Chapel, etc	P. C. Kenton.....	13	.....	13	.....	1	3	15	4	3 90	1 14	1 20	1 95	80	.....	.....	.....
Newhope, etc.....	A. J. McKeithen.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
CASCILLA DISTRICT	David Day, District Elder	12	13	25	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	1 28	1 05	3 00	70	.....	.....	.....
Stonefield circuit.....	J. B. Musselwhite.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	123	25	148	5	2	9	40	19	\$40 50	\$18 00	\$15 00	\$20 25	\$10 20	.....	.....	.....

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No of Churches	Value of Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
WELCOME HOME DISTRICT	.....	.....	\$6 00	.....	\$46 60	\$21 10	\$3 50	2	\$ 300	1	\$50
Franklin circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 00	1 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Welcome Home and Summerville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 50	.....	1	250	.....	.....
Black River and Big Island.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Natchez.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
WESSON DISTRICT	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	57 00	64 00	4	1350	.....	.....
Hazlehurst, Wesson, etc.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 00	7 00	.....	1	250	.....	.....
Newhope, etc.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	58 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
CASCILLA DISTRICT	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stonefield circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	.....	\$6 00	.....	\$189 60	\$174 35	\$67 50	8	\$2060	1	\$50

# KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session held at Bowling Green, Kentucky,  
October 9-13, 1901

## OFFICERS

G. W. COLEMAN, President.

W. MAYFIELD, Secretary.

## APPOINTMENTS

SCOTTSVILLE DISTRICT.—WALKER MAYFIELD, District Elder.

Scottsville, Petroleum and Bellwood . . . . . B. S. Harper  
Cassaday, Mt. Zion, Bowling Green and Kelley's Chapel . . . . . R. H. Hinton  
Beech Grove, Congleton and Steamport . . . . . H. O. Coats  
West Allen and East Simpson . . . . . H. C. Foster

MAMMOTH CAVE DISTRICT.—WALKER MAYFIELD, District Elder.

Mt. Beulah, Cedar Grove, Northtown and Rowletts . . . . . D. L. Moore  
Nolin, Sonora, Magnolia and Hodgenville . . . . . To be supplied  
Louisville . . . . . To be supplied  
Glasgow circuit . . . . . To be supplied

I. H. Justice, W. N. Matheney, evangelists.

CUMBERLAND RIVER DISTRICT.—J. W. W. KELLEY, District Elder.

Lafayette, Williams school-house and Keystone school-house . . . . . Thomas Carter, supply  
Westmoreland, Bethlehem, Forest Chapel and Wolf Hill . . . . . W. R. Garrison  
Gallatin, Cottontown, Quorum Hill and Costillion Springs . . . . . J. M. Keen  
Ridgetop and Greenbrier . . . . . To be supplied

COLUMBIA RIVER DISTRICT.—J. W. W. KELLEY, District Elder.

Columbia, Jones Valley and Flagpole . . . . . To be supplied  
Nashville and Franklin . . . . . To be supplied  
Hillsboro and Manchester . . . . . E. V. Towns, supply  
Jackson . . . . . To be supplied

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

CHARGE	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sab'ath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Re- ceipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Re- ceipts	No of Churches	Value of Church Property	No of Parsonages	Value of Parson- age Property
SCOTTSVILLE, MAMMOTH CAVE AND TENNESSEE DISTRICTS											
Scottsville and Gallatin . . . . .					\$ 40 85	\$22 21	\$ 95 00	1	\$ 800		
Petroleum and Bellwood . . . . .		\$2 30	\$6 15		17 97	20 00	1 19	1	800		
Cassaday and Bowling Green . . . . .					123 00	40 00	23 00	1	2000		
Forest Chapel and Wolf Hill . . . . .					13 44	9 80	4 15	1	250		
Boiling Springs . . . . .					40 00						
Northtown . . . . .					12 00		8 60				
Mt. Beulah . . . . .					45 00	22 00		2	400		
Cottontown . . . . .					22 00	14 00	7 00				
Flagpole and Jones Valley . . . . .											
Total . . . . .		\$2 30	\$6 15		\$316 26	\$128 61	\$138 94	9	\$4250		

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

## SCOTTSVILLE, MAMMOTH CAVE AND TENNESSEE DISTRICTS

CHARGE	PREACHER	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodists" taken	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions Claim	General Missions	Church Extension and Aid Society	Delegates to General Conference	Foreign Missionary Claim	Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies
SCOTTSVILLE, MAMMOTH CAVE AND TENNESSEE DISTRICTS	J. W. W. Kelley, District Elder																	
Scottsville and Gallatin .....	W. Mayfield.....	9 ..		9	1	2	...	...	...	2	\$2 10	\$ 86	...	\$1 05	\$ 70	...	...	...
Petroleum and Bellwood .....	R. H. Hinton .....	34 ..		34	1	1	8	96	2	50	72	...	...	3 00	1 37	...	...	...
Cassaday and Bowling Green.....	B. S. Harper.....	60 ..		60	2	3	15	95	3	...	...	...	...	8 74	6 52	...	...	...
Forest Chapel and Wolf Hill.....	H. C. Foster.....	20 3		23	1	1	6	30	1	...	...	1 20	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boiling Springs.....	Q. H. Justice.....	4 ..		4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Northtown. ....	D. O. Moor. ....	13 ..		13	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	...	...	...	...
Mt. Beulah.....	W. R. Garrison .....	42 4		46	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3 00	3 10	...	...	...
Cottontown.....	J. M. Keen.....	6 ..		6	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1 00	67	...	...	...
Flagpole and Jones Valley.....	W. N. Matheny.....	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total .....	.....	188	7	195	7	7	5	228	10	\$2 60	\$2 78	...	...	\$17 14	\$12 96	...	...	...

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

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FREE METHODIST CHURCH

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE CONFERENCES

CONFERENCES	CONFERENCE										STATISTICAL SUMMARY									
	Members	Probationers	Total	Local Preachers	Evangelists	Sunday Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Copies of "Free Methodist Taken"	Conference Claimants' Fund	General Superintendents' Claim	Conference Missions	General Claim	Church Extension and Aid Society	Foreign Missionary Claim					
Arkansas and Southern Missouri.....	281	41	322	15	2	5	8	37	202	34	36 45	10	25	60	11 21					
California.....	287	44	331	32	2	14	15	82	515	79 20	33 10	25	60	26 40	103 88					
Central Illinois.....	1474	145	1619	32	2	14	15	82	515	79 20	33 10	25	60	26 40	103 88					
Colorado.....	303	49	352	9	2	15	16	76	431	92 70	65 62	131	48	84 82	58 83					
Columbia River.....	208	52	260	9	2	15	16	76	431	92 70	65 62	131	48	84 82	58 83					
East Michigan.....	1672	231	1903	30	14	79	496	688	2146	56 03	32 58	34	60	27 15	24 06					
East Ontario.....	614	107	721	19	4	24	118	688	2146	56 03	32 58	34	60	27 15	24 06					
Genesee.....	1492	177	1669	24	8	59	428	688	2146	56 03	32 58	34	60	27 15	24 06					
Illinois.....	1005	137	1142	23	23	38	282	1615	267	133 51	180 75	192	54	201 92	143 93					
Iowa.....	783	63	846	30	9	32	211	1215	163	208 70	132 27	108	57	96 62	80 15					
Kansas.....	786	74	860	30	20	36	224	1089	212	200 83	118 47	104	21	95 62	80 15					
Kentucky and Tennessee.....	188	7	195	7	7	5	29	223	10	2 60	2 78	17	00	12 36	.....					
Louisiana.....	123	25	148	5	5	2	9	40	19	40 50	18 00	15	00	20 25	.....					
Michigan.....	930	79	1009	24	3	31	232	1112	166	265 33	155 84	132	00	129 90	124 67					
Minnesota and North Iowa.....	335	24	359	10	8	17	97	418	109	111 43	62 74	48	88	63 10	35 33					
Missouri.....	249	5	254	17	4	9	59	302	56	51 47	45 80	18	97	31 65	19 47					
Nebraska.....	386	52	448	15	18	13	98	531	97	111 14	61 14	45	93	56 45	30 42					
New York.....	1051	118	1169	43	11	38	258	1356	120	313 63	186 12	246	43	139 55	90 99					
North Dakota.....	153	24	177	1	1	5	30	181	43	42 07	25 85	32	00	19 20	12 80					
North Indiana.....	320	54	374	11	14	14	101	626	68	80 60	49 44	49	90	25 96	19 42					
North Michigan.....	1538	210	1848	36	14	77	504	2404	266	413 04	272 06	214	45	113 69	37 50					
North Minnesota.....	287	45	332	7	1	14	63	380	61	13 08	14 96	23	50	38 63	2 95					
Ohio.....	841	81	922	23	15	45	283	1266	131	245 70	149 36	235	80	113 69	49 71					
Oklahoma.....	1587	269	1856	22	25	64	514	2458	336	477 57	276 46	228	71	107 78	107 78					
Oregon.....	300	40	340	14	4	13	65	317	75	104 10	62 46	17	80	35 90	14 80					
Pennsylvania.....	1117	173	1290	38	28	46	823	1717	212	843 05	130 45	169	27	153 95	42 94					
Platte River.....	442	24	466	18	15	21	111	492	106	81 06	46 12	96	23	53 55	61 96					
South California.....	342	31	373	18	10	17	98	406	78	90 96	54 31	75	75	44 19	59 32					
South Dakota.....	470	60	530	15	9	25	124	657	130	128 95	77 33	59	60	64 96	67 91					
Susquehanna.....	1388	158	1546	24	8	46	309	1679	208	415 15	224 33	229	43	176 71	90 15					
Texas.....	508	28	536	23	12	12	13	449	164	135 01	79 96	140	32	45 10	45 25					
Washington.....	780	60	840	11	4	42	238	1140	164	211 49	117 38	149	32	114 28	55 43					
West Iowa.....	360	76	436	18	10	15	105	689	91	94 88	55 13	50	25	42 90	136 26					
West Kansas.....	655	41	696	16	12	29	164	833	187	191 30	109 68	96	66	58 41	47 30					
West Ontario.....	650	87	737	17	18	27	150	811	185	163 18	92 36	81	64	73 68	51 00					
West Wisconsin.....	538	118	656	13	11	112	544	107	166 07	92 36	114 53	114	53	79 09	86 60					
Wisconsin.....	825	135	960	24	22	33	187	930	166	243 37	141 53	169	31	118 91	90 81					
Total.....	26678	3180	29858	731	405	1045	6796	36476	5273	\$9381 72	\$4210 05	\$3014 24	\$3505 71	\$2088 35	\$2572 93					



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## STATISTICAL SUMMARY

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Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Educational Fund	Children's Fund	Raised for Sabbath School Expenses	Raised for Tracts	Preachers' Receipts	Elders' Receipts	Evangelists' Receipts	No. of Churches	Value of Church Property	No. of Parsonages	Value of Parsonage Property
%	\$	%	%	%	\$	\$	\$		\$		\$
Arkansas and Southern Missouri.....	4 50	1 00	2 32	72 17	704 62	405 71	127 75	6	2230 00	1	400 00
California.....	201 16	3 15	4 68	361 86	3518 85	445 87	78 45	11	13300 00	9	7600 00
Central Illinois.....	96 07	4 73	3 07	710 67	8449 70	1288 09	741 91	69	56400 00	18	10100 00
Colorado.....	186 42	8 00	6 00	342 92	3390 06	861 21	175 70	10	11700 00	9	3875 00
Columbia River.....	42 38	25	1 22	178 51	3330 25	308 58	11 00	7	4750 00	6	2500 00
East Michigan.....	143 73	7 77	7 84	823 25	14738 55	1630 79	118 02	70	57000 00	36	18250 00
East Ontario.....	128 07	3 30	20 92	212 21	3639 00	899 04	405 97	32	13825 00	5	2900 00
Genesee.....	439 60	21 31	13 15	1087 37	13119 41	683 66	54 84	57	105450 00	38	34000 00
Illinois.....	136 37	3 00	16 16	1168 07	5204 15	1966 22	373 09	35	103600 00	26	32000 00
Iowa.....	138 37	4 25	22 06	308 07	6292 19	1138 89	306 21	34	38345 00	23	14100 00
Kansas.....	167 22	4 25	22 06	376 28	6292 19	1138 89	306 21	34	14615 00	19	7700 00
Kentucky and Tennessee.....	92 44	4 70	3 95	6 00	316 26	128 61	138 94	9	4250 00	1	50 00
Louisiana.....	92 44	4 70	3 95	481 48	189 60	174 35	67 50	8	2050 00	1	50 00
Michigan.....	25 80	4 15	14 10	216 13	6940 11	99 68	134 97	46	39250 00	15	13150 00
Minnesota and Northern Iowa.....	25 80	4 15	14 10	216 13	6940 11	99 68	134 97	46	15240 00	11	7550 00
Missouri.....	32 35	2 61	6 61	110 24	1986 61	555 16	74 85	12	9200 00	11	4465 00
Nebraska.....	192 11	11 47	6 29	690 10	2466 29	811 79	315 94	11	10850 00	7	3800 00
New York.....	24 03	1 00	5 00	53 32	9029 59	1733 33	76 00	4	79550 00	3	12025 00
North Dakota.....	16 65	3 00	10 55	220 53	2684 58	534 31	76 00	4	4600 00	3	2100 00
North Indiana.....	60 21	1 65	13 95	756 18	2776 70	1498 36	31 70	12	8825 00	9	4450 00
North Michigan.....	363 32	5 00	5 53	106 27	13827 92	489 36	40 63	69	49950 00	36	14575 00
North Minnesota.....	1148 86	19 25	12 21	634 31	2005 21	241 25	47 93	10	6750 00	6	2625 00
Ohio.....	91 04	6 35	1 00	1284 92	6812 18	1066 12	258 16	44	36975 00	14	9350 00
Oil City.....	237 00	6 35	1 00	116 61	14413 09	2970 80	745 08	70	89250 00	22	16550 00
Oklahoma.....	1422 30	6 92	7 28	1214 29	1787 12	354 75	128 06	1	900 00	2	620 00
Oregon.....	46 17	6 08	7 28	1214 29	1699 15	604 62	331 30	11	9450 00	6	1550 00
Platte River.....	119 06	2 86	4 93	116 76	13390 21	2180 97	245 66	44	71150 00	8	8950 00
Southern California.....	398 43	13 66	230 45	116 76	3610 76	698 22	110 90	12	7150 00	10	4125 00
South Dakota.....	345 26	13 66	38 33	639 65	1699 15	604 62	231 30	11	9450 00	6	1550 00
Susquehanna.....	44 95	1 10	7 85	639 65	4597 54	720 21	276 99	9	83600 00	10	6120 00
Texas.....	645 30	2 18	10 55	369 13	1367 63	1187 10	276 99	9	83600 00	10	6120 00
Washington.....	153 84	4 51	10 55	369 13	2354 94	756 14	276 99	9	83600 00	10	6120 00
West Iowa.....	413 58	9 26	15 54	385 68	2047 48	507 77	373 95	13	13750 00	18	2950 00
West Kansas.....	400 89	16 40	9 96	400 15	6662 75	1143 37	155 68	36	30050 00	21	17000 00
West Ontario.....	342 92	16 40	9 96	400 15	5218 82	846 20	318 86	25	15150 00	15	5600 00
Wisconsin.....	342 92	16 40	9 96	400 15	4745 13	714 15	14 12	25	17750 00	4	2100 00
Total.....	\$8459 75	\$190 94	\$297 39	\$15155 38	\$182 52	\$3384 63	\$3634 64	1034	\$1115340 00	467	\$392435 00

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETINGS—1901

## General Superintendents

REV. E. P. HART, 1117 Park avenue, Alameda, California.  
REV. G. W. COLEMAN, Gainesville, New York.  
REV. B. R. JONES, 918 Francis street, Jackson, Michigan.  
REV. W. A. SELLEW, 170 East Ninth street, Jamestown, New York.

## Executive Committee

REV. E. P. HART, President,	REV. W. B. OLMSTEAD, Secretary.
REV. G. W. COLEMAN,	REV. B. R. JONES,
REV. W. A. SELLEW,	REV. F. H. ASHCRAFT,
REV. J. CRAIG,	REV. M. B. MILLER,
REV. W. H. CLARK,	C. O. SCHANTZ,
J. GRAHAM,	A. YATES, M. D.,
T. HEAVISIDES,	T. RESSEGUIE.

## General Missionary Board

REV. B. R. JONES, President,	REV. E. P. HART,
REV. G. W. COLEMAN,	REV. W. A. SELLEW,
REV. B. WINGET, Secretary,	S. K. J. CHESBRO, Treasurer,
C. O. SCHANTZ, First District,	REV. W. H. CLARK, Second District,
A. YATES, Third District,	REV. W. B. OLMSTEAD, Fourth District
J. GRAHAM, Fifth District,	T. HEAVISIDES, Sixth District,
REV. J. GARRETT, Seventh District,	MRS. ELLA McGEARY,
MRS. MARY E. COLEMAN,	MRS. HELEN HART JONES.

## Church Extension and Aid Society

REV. G. W. COLEMAN, President,	REV. B. WINGET, Secretary,
S. K. J. CHESBRO, Treasurer.	

The members are the same as the Missionary Board.

## Board of Conference Claimants

REV. W. A. SELLEW, President.

Officers and members the same as the Missionary Board.

## Board of Education

REV. W. T. HOGUE, President,	REV. W. A. SELLEW, Vice-president,
REV. W. B. OLMSTEAD,	REV. M. B. MILLER,
Recording Secretary,	Corresponding Secretary,
C. O. SCHANTZ, Treasurer,	REV. E. P. HART,
REV. G. W. COLEMAN,	REV. B. R. JONES,
REV. JAMES CRAIG,	REV. W. H. CLARK,
REV. F. H. ASHCRAFT,	T. HEAVISIDES,
T. RESSEGUIE,	A. YATES, M. D.,
J. GRAHAM.	

## Board of Directors of the Free Methodist Publishing House

G. W. COLEMAN,	BURTON R. JONES,	F. H. ASHCRAFT,
W. A. SELLEW,	T. HEAVISIDES,	W. B. OLMSTEAD,
A. YATES.		

## Trustees of the General Conference

B. P. HART, term expires 1903;	S. K. J. CHESBRO, term expires 1907;
G. W. COLEMAN, term expires 1903;	W. A. SELLEW, term expires 1907;
B. R. JONES, term expires 1903;	C. O. SCHANTZ, term expires 1907.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## FIRST SITTING

Pursuant to a call published in the *Free Methodist*, the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Free Methodist church convened at 16 North May street, Chicago, Illinois, at 2 p. m., October 16, 1901.

The committee was called together by the senior general superintendent, E. P. Hart, who presided. The devotional exercises were conducted by the president.

The roll was called and the following persons answered to their names: E. P. Hart, G. W. Coleman, B. R. Jones, W. A. Sellew, W. B. Olmstead, F. H. Ashcraft, J. Craig, M. B. Miller, W. H. Clark, A. Yates, T. Heavisides, J. Graham, T. Resseguie.

The committee proceeded to the election of seven directors for the Free Methodist Publishing House. On the first ballot B. R. Jones, G. W. Coleman, W. A. Sellew, F. H. Ashcraft, A. Yates, Thomas Heavisides and W. B. Olmstead, each having received a majority of the votes cast, were declared elected.

The secretary read requests from several circuits asking permission to sell or mortgage church property. Each request was considered and acted upon.

On motion the request of the Columbia River and Washington conferences for a change of the boundary line between the two conferences so that the line will be the Columbia river instead of the Cascade mountains, was granted.

On motion a committee of five was ordered to be appointed by the chair for the purpose of considering the advisability of holding the next general conference in connection with a camp-meeting, and also to issue a call through the *Free Methodist* for invitations from circuits or societies desiring to entertain the next general conference and report as to their recommendations at the next annual meeting of the executive committee. The chair appointed W. A. Sellew, B. R. Jones, F. H. Ashcraft, A. Yates, J. Graham as such committee.

The appeal case of Rev. B. F. Taylor of the Platte River conference, was taken up.

The charges and specifications were read by the secretary. The finding of the Platte River conference was read.

The grounds of the appeal were stated by J. W. Edwards, the counsel for the appellant.

On motion the appeal was entertained.

The secretary read the proceedings of the trial, including the testimony.

The counsel for the appellant then argued the case, after which the case was argued by Rev. F. D. Brooke, counsel for the prosecution.

The president then asked all visitors to retire. The committee deliberated on the case and decided by a vote of ten to two to sustain the action of the lower court.

The appeal case of J. B. Newville of the Minnesota and Northern Iowa conference was taken up.

The charges and specifications were read by the secretary.

The finding of the lower court was then read. The counsel for the appellant, W. N. Coffee, stated the grounds for the appeal.

On motion the appeal was entertained.

On motion adjourned to meet at 6:30 p. m.

## SECOND SITTING

Pursuant to adjournment the Executive Committee convened at 6:30 p. m., October 16, 1901.

E. P. Hart, senior general superintendent, in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. Craig.

The roll was called and thirteen members answered to their names.

The minutes of the previous sitting were read and approved.

The appeal case under consideration at the time of adjournment was taken up.

The secretary and his assistants proceeded to read the minutes of the trial, including the testimony. Before the reading of the minutes was concluded, on motion, the committee adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock the next morning.

## THIRD SITTING

Pursuant to adjournment the Executive Committee met at 9 a. m., Thursday, October 17, at the usual place.

E. P. Hart, senior general superintendent, in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. H. Clark.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names: E. P. Hart, G. W. Coleman, W. A. Sellw, M. B. Miller, W. H. Clark, J. Craig, F. H. Ashcraft, W. B. Olmstead, T. Resseguie, T. Heavisides, J. Graham, A. Yates.

The minutes of the previous sitting were read and approved.

The appeal case under consideration at the time of adjournment was taken up. The secretary concluded the reading of the proceedings of the trial.

The counsel for the appellant made the opening argument.

On motion adjourned until 2 p. m.

## FOURTH SITTING

The Executive Committee met at the usual place at 2 p. m., October 17, with Superintendent E. P. Hart in the chair.

Prayer was offered by G. W. Coleman.

On motion the calling of the roll was omitted.

The minutes of the preceding sitting were read and approved.

The appeal case under consideration was continued. The counsel for the conference argued the case.

The president then requested all visitors to retire.

The committee discussed the case and by a vote of seven to five the decision of the lower court was reversed.

The agent of the Publishing House then made a report. See report.

On motion the report was received and placed on file.

On motion all camp-meeting notices were ordered reduced to fifteen lines and three insertions and the publishing agents were requested to hold rigidly to this rule.

The assistant agent of the Publishing House made a report. See report.

On motion the report was received and placed on file.

The editor of the Sunday-school literature made a verbal report and offered a few suggestions.

In the absence of C. O. Schantz, auditor, his report was read by W. A. Sellw.

On motion the report was adopted. See report on file.

On motion adjourned to meet at 7 p. m.

## FIFTH SITTING

Pursuant to adjournment the Executive Committee met at the Publishing House, Thursday, October 17, at 7 p. m.

E. P. Hart, senior general superintendent, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by J. Graham.

On motion the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes of the previous sitting were read and approved.

The committee appointed last year to confer with the chief officials of the leading labor organizations with a view to effecting some arrangement if possible by which laboring men belonging to the Free Methodist church can be allowed to work unmolested in union mills and factories without being required to take such oath or pledge as is in conflict with the Discipline of the Free Methodist church, reported through B. R. Jones as having done as directed but without success.

On motion the report was accepted.

Superintendent Hart, who was requested last year to write the early reminiscences of Free Methodism, reported that he had commenced on January 1st, and continued the articles until the time of holding the conferences.

On motion a rising vote of thanks was extended to Superintendent Hart and he was requested to continue writing the reminiscences during the coming year.

On motion adjourned to 9 a. m., October 18.

#### SIXTH SITTING

Pursuant to adjournment the Executive Committee met at the usual place, Friday, October 18, at 9 a. m.

E. P. Hart, senior general superintendent, in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. B. Olmstead.

The roll was called and thirteen members answered to their names.

The minutes of the previous sitting were read and approved.

On motion it was ordered to have a General Conference Daily for the next general conference at a subscription price not exceeding 50 cents.

On motion the following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the publishers be instructed to provide, if possible, a better grade of paper for the forthcoming issue of the Sunday-school quarterlies.

On motion of W. A. Sellw the publisher was ordered to publish the minutes next year, including the individual minutes, at an expense of 35 cents.

On motion it was decided to hold the next annual session of the Executive Committee at 16 North May street on Tuesday, October 14, 1902, at 2 p. m.

On motion of W. A. Sellw the publishing agent was instructed to close the financial year of our business April 1st each year, unless some obstacle to this arrangement shall develop, not now foreseen by the agents.

The following resolution was offered by W. A. Sellw :

WHEREAS, The applications for aid from the Church Extension and Aid Society have been steadily increasing from year to year and this year amounts to nearly \$6000, and

WHEREAS, If this shall continue it will soon break down the system and entirely defeat the object for which this fund was intended, therefore,

*Resolved*, That the superintendents be requested to urge on our people, especially at the annual conferences, the necessity of applying for aid only in cases of great need.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

On motion adjourned to the call of the chair.

WILLIAM B. OLMSTEAD, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF THE PUBLISHING AGENT

Your agent is very glad to state that during the past year his health and that of his assistant, has been very good, and we have been enabled to be at our posts with hardly an intermission during the entire year. The business has been, we think, steadily on the increase, and the figures will show that there has been a decided decrease in our indebtedness and an increase in our assets.

THE FREE METHODIST.—The *Free Methodist* is still holding its own. We have much to contend with. Other publications are taken by our members, and some of our preachers do not take the paper. The result is that they are ignorant of many things concerning our church. It can easily be shown that there is no periodical published at \$1.50 per year that has as much solid reading matter in it, as our paper. I wish the committee would as individuals just compare other exchanges with the *Free Methodist*, and they will see at a glance that we are giving more reading matter than any with which we exchange. Nearly thirteen pages are filled with reading matter, one page to religious notices, and two with advertising, mostly our own business—Sunday-school supplies and books.

The circulation is now at its highest mark in its history, and the prepaid system has come to stay. But few complaints are received about not receiving the paper regularly, and in many of these cases, the fault is not at this office.

OUR PUBLICATIONS.—We are glad to read the reports of the minutes of our conferences



recommending the different publications of the office, and to know that the conferences are taking so much interest in the Publishing House business.

The circulation of our Sunday-school papers is steadily on the increase. When we purchased them from T. B. Arnold the circulation was about 12,700; now it is about 17,500. In August we mailed nearly 19,000 copies of each paper. The quarterlies are also gaining, yet there are many schools which take other publications because they say they are cheaper. When men choose quantity instead of quality, there is not much hope for them.

The *Missionary Tidings* for the children's issue, in order to comply with the post-office regulations, is now published as a quarterly, and can be used any Sunday that the school may choose.

THE BOOK DEPARTMENT.—The book department shows an increase. It must be borne in mind that our profits are necessarily small from the fact that our discounts are from 15 to 40 per cent. and our preachers must have from 25 to 30 per cent, so that little margin remains for us, and from these margins we must pay all expenses. So far our losses have not been very great. We have some slow payers, but they get there after awhile.

Our finances are now in shape where we can buy in large quantities and secure better rates, and sometimes a further discount for cash on our publications, and we are enabled to do better for both ourselves and our customers.

Your agents are confident, however, that we must strike out and increase our sales. Our meetings are being visited by those who represent other publishing interests, and we must use every legitimate means to secure our share of the patronage. If we do not help ourselves, the business world will not. We still keep to the practice of paying promptly. Our method is to pay every month so that we are called cash buyers.

THE FINANCIAL REPORT.—October 1st, 1900, we owed money borrowed for the Publishing House, \$3990.00. This has all been paid so that now all we are paying interest on is what we call the annuity funds, or funds that have been given to the Publishing House subject to interest during the lives of the donors. This interest amounts annually to \$161.

S. K. J. CHESBRO, Agent.

## REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT PUBLISHING AGENT

The principal report having been made by the publishing agent it falls to me to make a statement of the manufacturing and circulating interests of the Publishing House.

Since the last meeting we have manufactured and placed upon the market the following: 1000 First-Day Sabbath, 32 pages and cover, price 10 cents; 500 Digest of Free Methodist Law, 130 pages, cloth, 60 cents; 2250 copies of Combined Minutes, 272 pages; 10,000 Tracts on Free Methodist Church, 8 pages. We have issued editions of the following: 500 Free Methodist Hymn Books; 100 Life of Redfield; 494 Class Books; 508 Disciplines; 105,000 Miscellaneous Tracts, 2 pages. We have issued with our imprint, 300 copies of Vest Pocket Commentary at 25 cents; 100 of the same, interleaved, at 50 cents. We have also made 200 copies of Sketches and Incidents, 336 pages in cloth, for C. M. Damon, and 1200 copies of catalogue for Greenville College.

In our report of last year we mentioned that the plates of the Free Methodist Hymn Book were so defective as to require new composition in many instances. We have reread the entire book and have corrected and revised 125 pages, thus restoring it to a salable condition.

The circulation of the *Free Methodist* based upon the actual number printed weekly is 350,520 copies for the year, an average of 6,740 each week, an increase of 384 copies over the weekly average of last year.

The number of copies of *Missionary Tidings* printed for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society during the year was 29,000, an average of 2,416 for each month. The number of copies printed for Sunday-school purposes was 31,000, or an average of 7,827 for each quarter. To comply with the postal regulations it has been found necessary to issue the Sun



day-school edition under a separate title and as a quarterly publication. For the same reason the Infant Class has been changed from a weekly to a monthly, with weekly parts.

The following is a summary of the number of copies of each publication issued, with the average for each quarter, week or month as the case may be:

Teacher's Quarterly, 6,512; Scholar's Quarterly, 17,312; Intermediate Quarterly, 5,187; Primary Quarterly, 6,500; Scholar's Lesson Leaf, 11,375; Intermediate Lesson Leaf, 3,375; Infant Class, 13,880; Sunday-school papers, 17,541; *Missionary Tidings*, 2,416; *Missionary Tidings*, Sunday-school edition, 7,825; *Free Methodist*, 6,740.

A few months ago we arranged with Mr. Hall, publishing agent of the Wesleyan denomination, to supply his schools with the Infant Class until a sufficient number of subscriptions shall have been obtained to warrant the issuing of a similar publication by his own house. During the last quarter we supplied over 1400 copies for this purpose.

Nearly a year ago we placed a small advertisement in the annual minutes of the Pentecostal Holiness churches, which was endorsed by the agent of that body with the result that we now have a number of their schools on our list.

The receipts from advertising are \$754.14, an increase of \$45.67 over those of last year.

The printing department is being run with economy, and the present foreman is willing and obliging, doing all within his power to meet the requirements of the situation.

WILLIAM B. ROSE, Assistant Agent.

## GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS' SALARIES

Treasurer's Report, 1900-1901

CONFERENCE	Appor- tionment	Deficit, 1900	Surplus, 1900	Paid, 1901	Surplus, 1901	Deficit 1901
Arkansas and Southern Missouri.....	\$ 39 78			\$ 33 10		\$ 6 68
California.....	47 52			47 52		
Central Illinois.....	252 36			252 36		
Colorado.....	55 62			55 62		
Columbia River.....	32 58			32 58		
East Michigan.....	291 96			295 08	\$3 12	
East Ontario.....	107 64			107 64		
Genesee.....	275 76			273 76		2 00
Illinois.....	181 80			180 71		1 09
Iowa.....	147 78	\$ 2 00		154 29	6 51	
Kansas.....	146 52	35 48		153 72	7 20	
Kentucky and Tennessee.....	38 34			17 95		20 39
Louisiana.....	24 30			13 54		5 76
Michigan.....	159 66		\$10 00	165 76	6 10	
Minnesota and Northern Iowa.....	65 88			64 88		1 00
Missouri.....	58 83			59 14		28
Nebraska.....	70 38			72 81	2 43	
New York.....	186 12		8 60	186 12		
North Dakota.....	24 30			24 30		
North Indiana.....	51 48			51 48		
North Michigan.....	283 68			259 54		24 14
North Minnesota.....	52 38			52 04		34
Ohio.....	147 96			147 96		
Oil City.....	278 46			278 46		
Oklahoma.....	36 18			36 18		
Oregon.....	62 46			62 46		
Pittsburg.....	198 00			196 00		2 00
Platte River.....	86 40			86 40		
Southern California.....	56 88			49 22		7 66
South Dakota.....	78 12			77 56		56
Susquehanna.....	250 56			245 08		4 58
Texas.....	86 94			86 29		65
Wabash.....	144 54		6 80	144 54		
Washington.....	55 08			55 44	1 36	
West Iowa.....	121 14			121 14		
West Kansas.....	108 00	2 70		100 24	1 60	
West Ontario.....	93 96			93 96		
Wisconsin.....	145 28			146 10	84	
Total.....	\$4541 76	\$38 18	\$25 40	\$4494 40	\$29 44	\$76 80

DISBURSEMENTS: Paid to E. P. Hart, \$1100; to G. W. Coleman, \$1100; to B. R. Jones, \$1100; to W. A. Sellow, \$1100; expenses, \$110. Total, \$4510. Receipts, \$4494. Deficit, \$16.00.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Board of Education met at 16 North May street, at 5 p. m., October 16, 1901.

The president, Wilson T. Hogue, called the board together and presided. Fourteen members were present.

Four sittings were held. The following are the principal items of business transacted:

The committee on appropriations recommended that loans be granted, aggregating \$585, to the following persons: Mary E. Damon, of La Clede, Illinois; Herbert L. Smith, of North Indiana conference; Omar Burns, of Colorado; F. A. Reese, of Oil City, Pennsylvania; Robert E. Adams, of Greenville, Illinois; Bertha Williams, of Three Oaks, Michigan; and Daniel Toole, of Seattle, Washington.

On motion the recommendations were adopted and the loans ordered.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That we grant all to whom loans are made the privilege of making payments in installments according to their own convenience, provided, however, that no payments shall be received for a less sum than five dollars.

On motion it was ordered that the rate of interest on loans be fixed at 5 per cent. per annum.

The treasurer's report was as follows:

#### DEBITS

Amount on hand at time of last report:

Educational Fund.....	\$272 61	
Children's Fund.....	975 15	
	<u>          </u>	\$1247 76

Amount received October 1, 1900, to October 1, 1901:

Children's Fund.....	\$261 14	
Interest from bank.....	19 07	
Educational Fund.....	140 21	
Interest from bank.....	5 02	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 425 44
Total .....		\$1673 20

#### CREDITS

Paid for printing, stamps, etc.....	\$ 1 80	
Paid for printing report in Minutes—Educational Fund.....	5 00	
Paid for printing report in Minutes—Children's Fund.....	5 00	
Paid J. B. Lutz on loan .....	35 00	
Paid S. A. Crouch on loan .....	75 00	
	<u>          </u>	
Total .....		\$ 121 80

Balance on hand.....\$1551 40

Of the balance on hand \$1224.09 is in the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, and \$327.31 in the hands of S. K. J. Chesbro, treasurer of the church funds. The following notes are also held by the treasurer: J. B. Lutz, \$35; S. P. Crouch, \$75.

The balance of \$1551.40 on hand is divided as follows:

Children's Fund .....	\$1250 36
Educational Fund .....	301 40
	<u>          </u>
Total .....	\$1551 40

On motion the report was adopted.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Wilson T. Hogue, president; Walter A. Sellew, vice-president; Charles O. Schantz, treasurer; Mendal B. Miller, corresponding secretary; William B. Olmstead, recording secretary.

WILLIAM B. OLMSTEAD, Secretary.

## BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

The members are the same as the Missionary Board.

### FOURTH SESSION

The Board of Conference Claimants, pursuant to call, met at 14-16 North May street, Chicago, Illinois, October 19, 1901, at 11:20 a. m.

Superintendent W. A. Sellew, president of the board, called the meeting to order and presided. Prayer was offered by W. B. Olmstead.

The roll was called and the following members responded: E. P. Hart, G. W. Coleman, B. R. Jones, W. A. Sellew, S. K. J. Chesbro, B. Winget, W. H. Clark, W. B. Olmstead, J. F. Garrett, Mary L. Coleman, Helen Hart Jones.

The treasurer read his report (see report) and on motion it was adopted.

The following paper was read by the treasurer: "I wish to call the attention of the board to some things, and request their decision. I have for the last two years refused to pay in advance any money to claimants during the intervals of conference, as it makes more or less work, and as the Discipline distinctly states that these amounts are to be paid by the superintendent at the annual conference. I have thought that this was the proper way to do. If the board think otherwise, I wish them to give their opinion.

"Another point on which I wish you to give your opinion: Should not the blanks filled out by the applicants for this fund, in every case, be sent to the treasurer to be filed? Superintendent Sellew is the only one who sends these to me. If this is the proper way, should there not be uniformity in the matter? Some of the conferences do not send a list of their claimants to me at all, and I have a great deal of trouble in getting at the facts. If these blanks were all sent to me it would be no difficult matter to know what was due for claimants.

"I notice that under some superintendents, there is a visible increase of allowance of claimants, while under others, there is a decrease. The increase this year is very marked. Unless some uniformity can be established, this fund will soon be over-burdened and in a few years it will be impossible to raise the assessments.

"I still have great difficulty in getting reports from the conferences. I have urged the superintendents to make special request to the secretaries, to send in these reports at once.

"I trust that at your meeting this fall, you may fix upon some uniform plan in regard to these matters, for unless we are careful the whole thing will eventually break down."

It was moved and carried to instruct the treasurer in remitting claim of F. H. Horton of the California conference, to send \$75.00, instead of \$150.

It was moved and carried that the filled blanks of applicants be forwarded to S. K. J. Chesbro by the secretaries of the annual conferences; the amount allowed to be endorsed on the back of each application.

On motion the board voted to adopt the recommendation of the treasurer that thirty cents per member be the amount of apportionment for claimants for the coming year.

On motion it was ordered that the treasurer be instructed to rectify the mistake concerning the claim of James M. Scott of the Washington conference, and pay the amount of claim.

On motion it was ordered that the district elders be requested to see that claimants residing on their districts be supplied with blanks, and that such blanks are properly filled out by each claimant, and presented at the annual conference.

The secretary was requested to have this action of the board published in the *Free Methodist*.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

B. WINGET, Secretary.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND, 1901

CONFERENCE	Apportionment	Deficit, 1900	Paid, 1901	Deficit, 1901	Surplus, 1901	Claimants, 1901	Paid Claimants	Due Claimants	Claimants, 1902
Arkansas and Southern Missouri	\$ 66 30		\$ 36 45	\$29 85		\$ 70 00	\$ 40 00	\$30 00	\$ 80 00
California	79 20		79 20			435 00	435 00		410 00
Central Illinois	420 60	\$53 61	420 60			250 00	250 00		120 00
Colorado	92 70		92 70			150 00	150 00		200 00
Columbia River	54 30		54 30						
East Michigan	486 60		484 70	1 90		315 00	315 00		635 00
East Ontario	179 40		179 40			1030 00	1050 00		1010 00
Genesee	459 60		459 60			250 00	250 00		390 00
Illinois	463 00		305 79		\$2 79	50 00	50 00		150 00
Iowa	246 30		246 30			10 00	10 00		85 00
Kansas	244 20		244 20						
Kentucky and Tennessee	63 90		2 10	61 80					
Louisiana	40 50	29 06	40 50						
Michigan	266 10		266 10			275 00	275 00		360 00
Minnesota and Northern Iowa	109 80		110 71		91	285 00	285 00		320 00
Missouri	93 30		55 55	37 75					
Nebraska	117 30		122 20		4 90	365 00	365 00		365 00
New York	310 20		310 20			400 00	400 00		497 00
North Dakota	40 50		40 50						
North Indiana	85 80		85 80			85 00	85 00		85 00
North Michigan	472 80	36 32	473 70		90	360 00	360 00		410 00
North Minnesota	87 30	32 34	69 47	17 83					
Ohio	246 60		246 60			100 00	100 00		120 00
Oil City	464 10		464 10			87 00	87 00		87 00
Oklahoma	60 30		65 80		5 50	25 00	25 00		175 00
Oregon	104 10		104 10			70 00	70 00		50 00
Platte River	144 00		93 72	50 28					
Pittsburg	330 00		330 06		06				
Southern California	94 80		89 64	5 16		170 00	164 77	5 23	90 00
South Dakota	130 20		130 00	20					100 00
Susquehanna	417 60		417 60			1665 00	1665 00		1510 00
Texas	144 90		144 90						140 00
Wabash	240 90		240 90			136 00	136 00		125 00
Washington	91 80	2 61	93 41		1 61				300 00
West Iowa	201 90		201 90			250 00	250 00		390 00
West Kansas	180 00		180 00			160 00	160 00		130 00
West Ontario	156 60		156 60			150 00	150 00		325 00
Wisconsin	242 10		242 10			256 00	256 00		311 00
Total	\$7569 60	\$153 94	\$7381 50	\$204 77	\$16 67	\$7419 00	\$7383 77	\$35 23	\$8970 00

## CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD

## FOURTH SESSION

The annual meeting of the Church Extension Board was held at the Free Methodist publishing house, 14-16 North May street, Chicago, Illinois, Saturday, October 19, 1901, at 10:45 a. m.

G. W. Coleman, president of the board, called the meeting to order and presided. Prayer was offered by B. R. Jones.

The roll was called and the following members responded: E. P. Hart, G. W. Coleman, B. R. Jones, W. A. Sellew, S. K. J. Chesbro, B. Winget, W. H. Clark, W. B. Olmstead, J. F. Garrett, Mary. L. Coleman, Helen Hart Jones.

The treasurer read his report and, on motion, it was adopted.

The applications for aid from this fund were read by the secretary and considered.

It was moved and seconded not to appropriate more than \$200 to any one applicant.

Moved to amend by appointing W. A. Sellew, B. R. Jones, W. B. Olmstead, a committee to consider the applications, and present report at the afternoon sitting. The amendment carried.

On motion the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the election of five directors. The ballot was cast and the following named members: S. K. J. Chesbro, G. W.

Coleman, B. Winget, W. B. Olmstead, B. R. Jones, having received a majority of the votes cast, the president declared them elected.

On motion the board adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

## SECOND SITTING

The Board of Church Extension met at 2 p. m. at its usual place, G. W. Coleman, president, in the chair. Prayer was offered by E. P. Hart. The calling of the roll was omitted.

The minutes of the preceding sitting were read and approved.

The committee appointed to consider applications for aid, reported.

The recommendations were read, and the report adopted with some modifications as given in the full report of appropriations (see report).

On motion the board voted that applications marked "deferred" be kept on file and be presented at the next annual meeting of the board.

It was ordered that we request our general superintendents to write some instructions, and have them published in the *Free Methodist*, which are calculated to give our people a more intelligent view of the purposes for which the General Mission and Church Extension funds were originated, in order that they be not perverted from their original purposes, and that our people may be more considerate in regard to the amount of single applications and their number.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion the board adjourned.

B. WINGET, Secretary.

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS WERE READ, AND THE SUMS SET OPPOSITE WERE, ON MOTION,  
APPROPRIATED

Conference	Charge or Place	Amount
Arkansas and Southern Missouri	Beebe circuit	\$ 50 00
Central Illinois	Bingham and Ramsey circuit	50 00
East Michigan	Owasso, New Haven and Corunna circuit	50 00
East Michigan	Eureka church--Banister, Ashley & Eureka circ't	50 00
Kansas	Wichita	100 00
Michigan	Ransom, Frontier and Hillsdale circuit	150 00
Nebraska	Louisville and LaPlatte circuit	100 00
Nebraska	Mt. Zion, Butte and Riverside	75 00
New York	Allaben	75 00
North Dakota	Larimore	50 00
North Indiana	Fremont circuit	40 00
North Michigan	Sault Ste Marie	300 00
North Michigan	Scottville and Custer circuit	50 00
North Michigan	Lodi circuit	50 00
North Minnesota	South Haven and Main Prairie circuit	25 00
Ohio	North Baltimore and Deshler circuit	225 00
Ohio	Zanesville	150 00
Ohio	Plants and Hartford circuit	50 00
Oil City	Penfield circuit	50 00
Oil City	Oil City and Siverlyville	100 00
Oregon	Grant's Pass	75 00
Pittsburg	Hendricks	25 00
Pittsburg	Braddock	200 00
South Dakota	Orleans, Edmunds and Faulkton circuit	50 00
Southern California	Liberty and Gila Bend circuit	100 00
Susquehanna	Bolton	100 00
Susquehanna	Corinth	25 00
Washington	Seattle	400 00
Washington	Mt. Vernon	100 00
West Ontario	Brantford	150 00
West Ontario	Santaluta, Assinaboia	100 00
Wisconsin	Boscobel and Werley	75 00

\$3190 00

For incidental expenses and secretary's salary

160 00

Grand Total \$3350 00

## CHARTER—ITS OBJECT

1. CORPORATE NAME—"The Church Extension Board of the Free Methodist Church of North America."

2. OBJECT—"To aid needy churches or societies as in its judgment it may deem proper, by donations or loans, in the purchase or payment of lots or church edifices or parsonages, for the use of the Free Methodist Church of North America, and to raise money by collections, and to receive by donations or bequests, money or personal property, or real estate; and to hold or invest money, and to hold or buy or sell and convey real estate or personal property for the purposes before mentioned.

"Said corporation shall have power to receive and hold property in trust for any particular Free Methodist church or churches, society or societies.

"Said corporation shall have power to use and be used, and to transact whatever business may be necessary for the purposes before mentioned."

B. WINGET, Secretary.

## TREASURER'S REPORT ON CHURCH EXTENSION FUNDS

OCTOBER 1, 1900, TO OCTOBER 1, 1901

To amount on hand October 1, 1900.....	\$ 643 99
To amount receipts to October 1, 1901.....	2294 51
Total.....	\$2938 58

## DISBURSEMENTS, 1898-1901

YEAR	CONFERENCE	CHARGE	AMOUNT
1898-1899	Oil City.....	Youngsville.....	\$ 75 00
1898-1899	East Ontario.....	Huntsville.....	40 00
1899-1900	Nebraska.....	Butte, etc.....	75 00
1900-1901	Oil City.....	Glade.....	70 00
"	Oil City.....	Glysses.....	100 00
"	Central Illinois.....	Macomb.....	50 00
"	Platte River.....	Oxford.....	75 00
"	West Kansas.....	Cawker City.....	75 00
"	Michigan.....	Detroit.....	400 00
"	Washington.....	Edmonds.....	75 00
"	North Minnesota.....	Burtrum.....	80 00
"	Michigan.....	South Haven.....	25 00
"	West Ontario.....	Niagara Falls.....	75 00
"	Ohio.....	North Baltimore.....	25 00
"	East Michigan.....	Ovid.....	60 00
"	Kentucky and Tennessee.....	Cassaday.....	30 00
"	Kentucky and Tennessee.....	Kelly Chapel.....	30 00
"	West Kansas.....	Concordia.....	150 00
"	Susquehanna.....	Ilion.....	75 00
"	East Michigan.....	Alpena.....	75 00
Renewed	Oil City.....	Tutusville.....	200 00
"	Genesee.....	Cattaraugus.....	25 00
1900-1901	Illinois.....	Harvey.....	150 00
"	Central Illinois.....	Mt. Vernon.....	75 00
	Expenses.....		192 00
			\$2302 00
			636 50
			\$2938 50

Balance October 1.....



## CHURCH EXTENSION FUNDS—CONTINUED

RECEIPTS, 1900-1901

CONFERENCE	Apportionment	Paid	Deficit	Surplus
Arkansas and Southern Missouri.....	\$ 22 10	\$ 10 03	\$12 07	.....
California.....	26 40	26 40	.....	.....
Central Illinois.....	140 20	140 00	20	.....
Colorado.....	30 90	32 40	.....	\$1 50
Columbia River.....	18 10	18 10	.....	.....
East Michigan.....	162 20	138 78	23 42	.....
East Ontario.....	59 80	59 80	.....	.....
Genesee.....	153 20	109 47	43 73	.....
Illinois.....	101 00	91 70	9 30	.....
Iowa.....	82 10	64 30	17 80	.....
Kansas.....	81 40	66 67	24 73	.....
Kentucky and Tennessee.....	21 30	12 27	9 03	.....
Louisiana.....	13 50	10 30	3 20	.....
Michigan.....	88 70	87 20	1 50	.....
Minnesota and Northern Iowa.....	36 60	36 60	.....	.....
Missouri.....	31 10	12 72	18 38	.....
Nebraska.....	39 10	31 53	7 57	.....
New York.....	103 40	91 09	12 31	.....
North Dakota.....	13 50	13 50	.....	.....
North Indiana.....	28 60	19 37	9 23	.....
North Michigan.....	157 60	117 72	39 88	.....
North Minnesota.....	29 10	29 13	.....	03
Ohio.....	82 20	82 20	.....	.....
Oklahoma.....	20 10	20 10	.....	.....
Oil City.....	154 70	154 70	.....	.....
Oregon.....	34 70	34 70	.....	.....
Platte River.....	48 00	38 01	9 99	.....
Pittsburg.....	110 00	108 85	1 15	.....
Southern California.....	31 60	29 45	2 15	.....
South Dakota.....	43 40	43 40	.....	.....
Susquehanna.....	139 20	88 95	50 25	.....
Texas.....	48 30	48 30	.....	.....
Wabash.....	80 30	59 53	20 77	.....
Washington.....	30 60	30 60	.....	.....
West Iowa.....	67 30	67 30	.....	.....
West Kansas.....	60 00	60 00	.....	.....
West Ontario.....	52 20	52 20	.....	.....
Wisconsin.....	80 70	47 96	32 74	.....
Total.....	\$2523 20	\$2175 33	\$ 349 40	\$1 53

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL MISSIONARY BOARD OF THE FREE METH- ODIST CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

## NAMES OF MEMBERS

REV. B. R. JONES, President,  
REV. G. W. COLEMAN,  
REV. B. WINGET, Secretary,  
C. O. SCHANTZ, First District,  
A. YATES, Third District,  
J. GRAHAM, Fifth District,  
J. F. GARRETT, Seventh District,  
MRS. MARY L. COLEMAN, W. F. M. S.,

REV. E. P. HART,  
REV. W. A. SELLEW,  
S. K. J. CHESBRO, Treasurer,  
REV. W. H. CLARK, Second District,  
REV. W. B. OLMSTEAD, Fourth District,  
T. HEAVISIDES, Sixth District,  
MRS. ELLA L. MCGEARY, W. F. M. S.,  
MRS. HELEN HART JONES, W. F. M. S.

## DIRECTORS OF BOARD

REV. B. R. JONES,  
S. K. J. CHESBRO,

REV. B. WINGET,  
REV. W. B. OLMSTEAD,  
MRS. MARY L. COLEMAN.

## FOURTH SESSION

### FIRST SITTING

The annual meeting of the General Missionary Board of the Free Methodist church, was held at the Free Methodist Publishing House, 14-16 North May street, Chicago, Illinois, October 15, 1901, at 2 p. m.

Superintendent B. R. Jones, president of the board, called the meeting to order and presided.

According to the action of the board at its last annual meeting a half hour was devoted to reading the scripture and in united prayer for God's blessing on the foreign missionary work. By request of the president of the board, these exercises were conducted by B. Winget.

The secretary called the roll, and the following members answered to their names: B. R. Jones, E. P. Hart, G. W. Coleman, W. A. Sellew, S. K. J. Chesbro, B. Winget, W. B. Olmstead, T. Heavisides, A. Yates, Mary L. Coleman, W. H. Clark, Ella L. McGeary, Helen Hart Jones, J. F. Garrett.

The secretary gave the following report of the work of the directors: The directors did not have a formal meeting during the past year, but a majority of them met together and considered the recommendations of J. T. and Mrs. J. T. Taylor, and of M. E. and Mrs. M. E. Clarke for India, and the secretary sent the recommendations of the before mentioned persons to Burton R. Jones and Mary L. Coleman, who were the absent directors, and upon the unanimous approval of all, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Taylor were accepted as missionaries, and appointed to Yeotmal, India, and left New York for India, January 19, 1901. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Clarke were also unanimously accepted as missionaries and appointed to Yeotmal, India, and left New York for India September 4, 1901.

On motion the report was adopted.

The secretary read his report, which, on motion, was received. (See report.)

The treasurer read his report which, on motion, was adopted. (See report.)

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The board proceeded to ballot for two directors. W. B. Olmstead and Mary L. Coleman having received a majority of the votes cast, were declared elected.

The board proceeded to consider the request of the treasurer for instruction with reference to the disposal of the "Charles Austin" tract fund, \$225.00 of which had been loaned by the treasurer and secretary of the board on the Free Methodist church property at Ilion, New York.

On motion the action of the treasurer and secretary in loaning the money was approved.

On motion the board requested the trustees of the General Conference to permit the Herkimer Free Methodist society to retain the \$225 already loaned it by the secretary and treasurer, without interest, until September, 1902, and if the tract, entitled "Bible Warnings," be not found by the before mentioned date, the two hundred and twenty-five dollars be given the society absolutely.

The treasurer presented the matter of the "Samuel Anderson" fund of \$1500, and asked for instructions concerning its investment.

On motion it was voted to appoint a committee to loan said fund on good security.

On motion W. A. Sellw and S. K. J. Chesbro were appointed said committee.

B. Winget, who was appointed a committee at the last annual board meeting to sell the Anderson house and lot at Summerfield, Ohio, reported as follows: Your committee appointed at our last annual meeting, to sell the Anderson property, located at Summerfield, Ohio, consisting of a house and lot, went to Summerfield and looked the property over, and made inquiry of reliable persons in regard to its value, and sold it for \$287.50, \$110.00 of which was paid at the time of sale, \$90.00, October 1, 1901, and the remainder, \*\$87.50, was secured by note from Anderson made payable on or before April 1, 1902, without interest. The cash received has been paid over to the treasurer.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion it was voted that the proceeds from the sale of said property go into the general fund.

The treasurer presented the matter of the investment of the John Wilson fund of \$670, given for a mission in Sweden, and asked for advice in regard to loaning the same.

On motion it was voted that the treasurer be instructed to loan said money to John Wilson, at five per cent., in case he is willing to accept it, otherwise W. A. Sellw and S. K. J. Chesbro be a committee to invest the same.

The matter of the investment of the McKinley and Myers funds, was presented to the board by the treasurer.

On motion the aforesaid committee was instructed to invest these funds.

On motion the board adjourned to meet at 6:30 p. m.

#### SECOND SITTING

The board met pursuant to appointment at its usual place at 6:30 p. m., President B. R. Jones in the chair.

Devotional exercises consisting of singing and prayer were conducted by J. Garrett.

On motion the calling of the roll was omitted.

Minutes of the previous sitting were read, corrected and approved.

The missionary secretary nominated J. P. Brodhead for superintendent of the mission at Fairview and Ebenezer, Africa, and, on motion, he was appointed.

G. H. Agnew was nominated for superintendent of the work at Johannesburg and Inhambane, Africa, and, on motion, was appointed.

V. G. McMurry was nominated for superintendent of the mission at Yeotmal, India, and, on motion, was appointed.

The secretary read a letter from W. G. Hanmer, general conference evangelist, and his annual report, which is as follows:

WATERLOO, Iowa, October 14, 1901.

TO THE GENERAL MISSIONARY BOARD OF THE FREE METHODIST CHURCH:

Mr. President and Members of the Missionary Board:—At the present time we are engaged in the "battle of Waterloo," which prevents me from meeting with you in your annual meeting. This is the sixth week of our meeting here. We have had the tabernacle pitched on both sides of the river (the river divides the city). After much investigation, prayer and effort we have found an open and largely neglected field, on the west side of the city, where we are now operating. It has required an earnest and persistent effort to gain attention and work up an interest. God has greatly helped and encouraged us. At

\*This amount has since been paid.

the present writing the meeting is full of promise of good for the future. Before we close we expect to organize and secure church property. Years ago we had a flourishing society and church here. Some of our strongest men have preached and labored in these parts. Some six or seven years ago a spirit of censoriousness and division crept into the society, which led to fanaticism and various inconsistencies. The result was that the whole society was destroyed, the church property sold and the field abandoned. T. H. Fenwick, our pastor at Cedar Falls, had felt for some time that a new effort should be made in Waterloo. Some came and undertook it, knowing but little of the crooked and disastrous history of the past. After getting on the field, we were not long in finding this out. Notwithstanding years have passed those irregularities and inconsistencies still exist in the minds of the people. Such a state of things almost effectually blocks our way, and shuts us off and out from the attention and confidence of the people. It is to our shame and to be deeply deplored that we have many fields in a similar condition. Under such circumstances it is extremely difficult to do anything. Yet God, by his Spirit and grace, has helped us and enabled us to break through all these barriers, but it has taken much precious time, prayer and persistent effort.

During the year we have held special meetings at the following places:

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.—Our meeting of several weeks there in December and the first of January was timely and successful. We found the society in a disheartened and discouraged condition. The Lord graciously helped us and much good was done. The old members were renewed and encouraged and sixteen new members were added. Much help was realized in the Sunday-school. More teachers were secured, and some of the children were converted. Over forty adults and children experienced either saving or sanctifying grace.

CONCORDIA, KANSAS.—We found a young society of eight members there, battling and struggling heroically for Christ and his cause. They were making strenuous efforts to get their new church completed and out of debt. We had an excellent meeting there. God gave us the respect and attention of the people from the first. We saw at once that the opportunity was ours, not only to have a revival, but to push their church enterprise through to a successful issue. When the climax was reached in the meeting we raised one hundred and seventy-five dollars—the amount needed to complete the enterprise, and dedicated the church. Thirty-five or more were definitely benefitted—saved or sanctified. Thirteen joined the church the first time the doors were opened. A number more would follow. A general interest was created in the church and Sunday-school.

NEOSHO, MISSOURI.—We spent a short time there and dedicated the church. The people in that country are very poor and stingy, slow and hard to move. It took a protracted and laborious effort to raise a small amount of money to clear the church of debt. On our return North, we spent a few days at Carthage and Kansas City.

DES MOINES, IOWA.—We spent a number of weeks in the capital city. The work moves slowly there, but it moves. It was our third visit. The changeable weather and prevailing sickness with other things correspondingly unfortunate, made it almost impossible for us to do much, but the Lord helped us and a few were brought out fully for God and took the "narrow way." Six members joined the society, heads of families that promise to be helpful and substantial members.

At the close of the winter we spent a short time at Beresford, South Dakota. We had some excellent meetings with saving and sanctifying results.

TONKAWA, OKLAHOMA.—In the early spring we held a tabernacle meeting there which stirred the whole town, especially the preachers and saloon keepers. The Spirit of God moved mightily on the people. The truth burned and "ran like fire in dry stubble." It stirred the devil and the people, and brought on opposition and persecution. The world, the lodge, churches and saloons seemed to be in league with the devil, in one great combine against God and the Bible way to heaven. Nevertheless, God worked, some were saved and sanctified and we organized a class of ten members.

BROWERVILLE, MINNESOTA.—We had an old-fashioned camp-meeting there. The woods

around were all alive with prayer-meetings. From first to last the meeting was full of fire, power and momentum. It ran over three Sundays. The whole country for miles around was stirred. Powerful conviction attended the word which led to clear and grand deliverances in justification and sanctification. Over one hundred persons were either saved, reclaimed or sanctified wholly, and we received thirty-five new members into the church on the camp-ground.

JOPLIN, MISSOURI.—We were there during the intense heat and drought in July, and were privileged to be there when, in answer to prayer the awful spell was broken—when the pouring rain flooded the dry and parched ground. Simultaneously with the pouring rain began a great thanksgiving service to the God of heaven and earth. It was a glorious and memorable service. We spent two weeks there and organized a class of thirteen, with a good prospect of more to follow.

BEASLEY, MISSISSIPPI.—The camp-meeting there accomplished great things for our work in the South. Wrongs were righted, difficulties removed, and a new start given to the work. The brethren and sisters took on new courage and strength, and promised to stand by the Free Methodist cause in the South as they had never done before. This meeting was specially timely and helpful. A number were added to the church.

We also attended camp-meetings at Tonawanda, New York, and Conrad, Iowa.

We have labored in eight States during the year, and in all the meetings where we have labored over three hundred persons have found the great salvation.

#### MONEY RAISED FROM THE FIELDS

For traveling expenses and support of workers.....	\$308 91
For the general mission fund on my support.....	59 00
To assist churches in debts and improvements.....	213 00
Total .....	\$580 91

Incidental expenses connected with all the meetings were also provided for by collections.

Your action at the last board meeting in providing for my full support has enabled me to visit more distant and needy fields than I otherwise could have done. Rev. W. M. Kelsey started out with me as helper in the fall, but was not able to continue. He took cold and had a siege of la grippe, and afterwards concluded that he could not stand the changes and inconveniences incident to the evangelistic work. At the present time I have with me part of a band of workers. I am praying and planning to get out a full band of men, with strong voices, who can sing and shout the praises of God as well as pray, believe and labor for the salvation of the lost. Unquestionably one of the greatest needs of the church and the age is a strong, radical, aggressive evangelistic movement. Some friends of evangelism have offered to give me some financial assistance to get such a movement started.

Respectfully submitted,

W. G. HANMER, General Conference Evangelist.

On motion the report was adopted.

The secretary read a communication from Samuel McCauley Jackson, concerning the Bureau of Missionary Information, for which the approval of the board was desired.

The By-laws and Constitution proposed for said Bureau, were also read by the secretary.

On motion W. A. Sellew was appointed to prepare a suitable reply to the above communication, and present his reply at the next meeting of the board.

The secretary read a letter from H. L. Crockett, in which he presented the resignation of himself and wife, as missionaries under the board.

On motion their resignations were accepted.

On motion the board voted to allow them an additional amount, sufficient to make half salaries for the past year.

The secretary presented the matter of missionary work in Japan.

On motion it was voted to continue the work in Japan, and to send American missionaries, if suitable persons can be secured. In case they cannot be secured, to continue the work under the native workers, with the same supervision as last year.



The secretary presented the following resolution of thanks to Rev. H. Lindstrom, for his interest in and care for our work in Japan:

WHEREAS, Rev. H. Lindstrom has looked after our work and workers in Japan very satisfactorily, and upon his return to America, provided for our work to be cared for during his absence, the same as his own, and has done all of this without accepting of financial remuneration, therefore,

*Resolved*, That we express our thanks to him, and our hearty appreciation of the service rendered.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

The secretary presented the following resolution of thanks to Rev. F. O. Bergstrom, for his service rendered in connection with our work in Japan:

WHEREAS, Rev. F. O. Bergstrom has kindly looked after our work and workers in Japan, without financial compensation, since H. Lindstrom returned to America, therefore,

*Resolved*, That we express our grateful appreciation and thanks for the efficient service he has rendered to us, and to the work of our common Lord.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

On motion the secretary was instructed to send copies of the above resolutions to each of the persons therein named.

The secretary made a statement concerning famine funds in the hands of the missionaries in India, and gave some suggestions from them in regard to using said funds in buying land to provide an industrial farm for the orphans under their care, and also concerning the use of a portion of said funds in building hospitals at the orphanages at Yeotmal.

On motion the board approved of the missionaries at Yeotmal using surplus famine funds for the support of orphans not otherwise provided for.

It was moved and carried to adjourn to meet at 9 a. m., October 16.

### THIRD SITTING

The Missionary Board met according to appointment October 16, at 9 a. m., at 14 North May street. President B. R. Jones presided.

Devotional exercises consisted of singing, and prayer by W. A. Sellew.

The roll was called. (See roll.)

The minutes of the previous sitting were read, corrected and approved.

W. A. Sellew, the committee appointed to prepare a reply concerning Bureau of Missionary Information, reported as follows:

The committee to whom was submitted the proposed Constitution for Bureau of Missionary Information, would submit the following report: The proposed Bureau seems in every way desirable, and so far as we can see there is nothing objectionable connected with it. The only doubtful matter seemed, to us, to be that of expense. In a circular letter accompanying the draft of the Constitution occurs the following as one of the conditions upon which the Bureau is organized:

"5th. It is the distinct understanding of the conference that large expense is not contemplated in the inauguration of this Bureau, nor appeals to boards or churches, that the work shall be done at as little cost as practicable, and that no financial obligation shall be incurred, which there shall not be funds to discharge."

We, therefore, recommend that the missionary secretary be instructed to write the secretary of the Bureau that we approve of its establishment, and of the adoption of the proposed Constitution and By-Laws, with the preferred form for the Governing Board.

(Signed) WALTER A. SELLEW.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

The board took up the question concerning the use of famine funds in the hands of the missionaries in India.

The secretary presented the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted:

WHEREAS, Our missionaries at Yeotmal, in their annual business meeting, requested that the board authorize them to use, not to exceed \$300.00 each for the building of two hospitals, one at each of our orphanages at Yeotmal, India, and



WHEREAS, They have asked the approval of the board for the purchase of a quantity of land for an Industrial Home for the orphans, which may be located at too great a distance from Yeotmal, for the utilizing of these hospitals, and

WHEREAS, We think when the children are sick, one building divided into two parts, one for the boys and the other for the girls, could be built cheaper than two separate buildings, and might meet the needs of the orphans, therefore,

*Resolved*, That we recommend that our missionaries carefully consider the foregoing suggestions, and any other facts relating to the wisdom of the expenditure of much money for hospitals at Yeotmal:

*Resolved*, That we approve of the use of sufficient money from the reserve famine funds to meet the present needs of the orphans for hospital accommodations.

Also the following resolution offered by the secretary was adopted:

WHEREAS, Our missionaries at Yeotmal have taken action in their last annual business meeting in regard to securing 1000 or 1500 acres of land for an Industrial Home for our orphans, and have made request that we authorize them to purchase a suitable piece of land for this purpose, if one can be found, and

WHEREAS, The superintendent of our work at Yeotmal has suggested that if our funds would not admit of our making an appropriation for buying the land, we might be willing to approve of any reserve famine funds they may have on hand, being used for this purpose, therefore,

*Resolved*, That we approve of their using reserve famine funds for this purpose.

The question of salary for the General Conference Evangelist was taken up, and, on motion, it was ordered that full salary, \$700, the same as last year, be paid.

On motion it was voted to request the secretary to read the list of appropriations recommended for foreign missions, to be submitted to the board for its consideration and approval.

They were read, and it was voted to appropriate to the mission work already commenced in Africa and India, the several amounts recommended for these fields.

On motion it was moved and carried to take from table question of sending nurse to India.

On motion the board voted to send a nurse to India, as soon as a suitable person can be secured.

The applications of the following named persons who desired to be sent as missionaries to the foreign field, were presented to the board for its consideration:

Mary E. Chynoweth, Burlington, Vermont; G. A. Thomas, Bancroft, Michigan; Rosa D. Hunter, Tionesta, Pennsylvania; Margaret A. Nickel, Los Angeles, California; Nathaniel A. Smith, A. M. Chesbrough Seminary, New York; Miss Harris, Seven Bridges, Pennsylvania.

It was voted to direct the secretary to write to Miss L. P. Appleby, that after due consideration, and especially in view of her age, the board does not deem it best to give her an appointment as a foreign missionary. It was also voted to instruct the secretary to send the same statement to A. D. and Mrs. A. D. Noyes.

It was moved and carried to adjourn to meet at the call of the chair.

#### FOURTH SITTING

The Missionary Board met, pursuant to appointment, at its usual place, at 1:15 p. m., October 18, 1901.

The president occupied the chair.

Devotional exercises consisted of singing, and prayer by C. W. Stamp.

On motion the calling of the roll was omitted.

The minutes of the previous sitting were read and approved.

The application and recommendation of George A. Thomas were presented by the secretary.

Pending action on his case, it was moved and carried to send four missionaries to Africa, provided suitable persons can be secured.

It was moved and carried that the directors be instructed to send Mary E. Chynoweth, as nurse to India, in case a more suitable person cannot be found before the time to send her.

On motion Rosa D. Hunter was accepted as missionary.

On motion George A. Thomas was accepted as a missionary to Inhambane, Africa, provided he secure a proper medical certificate.

On motion Nathaniel Smith was accepted as a missionary to Africa, to be sent out as soon as the directors of the board think best.

On motion Martha Harris was accepted for Africa on the same conditions.

It was voted to accept Margaret A. Nickel as a missionary, the time of her going out and the place where she is to labor to be left with the directors of the board.

It was voted that it is the judgment of the board that it is unwise at present to send missionaries to Porto Rico or Cuba.

It was voted to allow the remainder of the appropriations for foreign missions, which were first read by the secretary.

It was voted that if before the meeting next year, any worthy and suitable persons shall offer themselves as candidates for foreign mission work, and the condition of the treasury will warrant it, the directors of the board may accept such persons and send them to any needy field, for which appropriations have been voted by this board.

The treasurer's report of amounts disbursed from the general missionary funds during the past year was given. (See report.)

On motion the report was adopted.

The secretary read the list of applications for aid from the General Mission Fund.

It was ordered that the full amount requested for East End, Pittsburg and Alleghany be allowed.

It was ordered that the \$100 requested for W. H. Wilson of the West Ontario conference be allowed in full.

A. Yates requested to be excused from further attendance at this meeting. His request was granted.

T. Heavisides asked to be excused from further attendance. On motion his request was granted.

Mrs. E. L. McGeary was also, at her request, excused from further attendance.

Moved and carried to adjourn to meet at 6:30 p. m.

#### FIFTH SITTING

The board met according to adjournment at its usual place at 6:30 p. m.

Devotional exercises consisted of singing, and prayer by G. W. Coleman.

On motion the roll call was omitted.

The minutes of the preceding sitting were read, corrected and approved.

B. Winget presented the matter of a course of study and examinations for our missionaries in India, and read the course of study of the Christian Missionary Alliance for its missionaries in India, and recommended the adoption of this course for our missionaries there.

On motion the board took action requiring our missionaries in India to take the "Course of Study," pass the examinations, and follow the same directions in this matter, which the International Missionary Alliance requires of its missionaries.

A failure to pass this course of study within three, or at the most within five years from the time of their arrival on the field, shall be considered a sufficient reason for discontinuing their relation to the board.

The secretary read the following request from the missionaries in India in regard to some person to take charge of an industrial farm for our orphans:

At the annual business meeting of our missionaries at Yeotmal, India, it was moved and carried that the board be asked to search for a young man who is a successful farmer, and a practical, all around business man, and handy in the use of tools to take charge of the prospective industrial farm for orphans.

It was moved and carried to accept the recommendation and approve of the secretary having a notice published in the *Free Methodist* calling for a desirable man to take charge of the industrial farm.

It was moved and carried to proceed with the question of General Missionary appropriations.

J. Graham requested to be excused, and, on motion, his request was granted.

On motion adjourned to meet at 9 a. m.

#### SIXTH SITTING

The board met, pursuant to adjournment, at its usual place at 9 a. m. The president occupied the chair.

Devotional exercises consisted of singing, and prayer by T. B. Adams.

On motion, the calling of the roll was omitted.

The minutes of the preceding sitting were read, corrected and approved.

It was voted to adopt the report of the secretary.

The board took up the matter of appropriations for general missions.

It was ordered that \$75.00 be allowed J. W. W. Kelley, of the Kentucky and Tennessee conference.

The following list of appropriations for general missions was adopted. (See list of appropriations.)

On motion it was voted to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$100. to aid Emma Appling in taking a year's course of training in a hospital, with the understanding that, if for any reason she does not return to India as one of our missionaries within eighteen months from this date, the money shall be refunded.

On motion adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

### THE SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Brethren:—The past year has been one of more than ordinary encouragement in our foreign missionary work. For this we are devoutly thankful to Him who has given us to bear a humble part in fulfilling his glorious purpose of carrying the "good tidings of great joy to all people." Our missionaries who returned from India, about a year ago in feeble health, are much better, with an encouraging prospect that they will soon be fully restored.

We are pleased to inform you that the missionary spirit in the church is leading an increasing number to offer themselves for the foreign field.

#### AFRICA—INHAMBANE

Our faithful missionary, G. H. Agnew, who has sacrificed so much for Inhambane, has made his annual visit there, and sends an encouraging report of the state of the work. Fourteen native workers are now employed at an average salary of about thirty dollars a year. Brother Agnew thinks that the work is in great need of two young men from America, to assist in the evangelistic work and oversee it, under his general superintendence. By having them spend a small portion of their time at either Johannesburg or Fairview, for their health, he thinks they might labor at Inhambane the most of the time for years.

#### AFRICA—JOHANNESBURG

The war conditions still continue to hinder the resumption of our work at this place. It is hoped that it will soon be otherwise. It seems that our mission houses there have been broken into, but we trust little damage has been done.

#### AFRICA—FAIRVIEW

Our superintendent and his co-workers on this field give reports of increasing advancement of the work, both spiritual and temporal. The regular religious services have been well attended, and some special meetings have produced very encouraging fruit. The

class-meetings, one for enquirers from the natives on the station, one for Sister Allen's girls, and one for members and probationers are led, the first named by F. Grace Allen; the second by Mrs. Viletta Gray, and the third by Anna S. Brodhead. Evidently their meetings have been the means of doing much good. Sister Allen writes that the fourteen members of her class have joined the church during the year, and so have been promoted to the church class. Thirty-eight still remain on her class-roll as seekers. The most of these are raw heathen, who have very little idea of what it means to seek the Lord. Some of them say that they must "beseech their hearts" before they can come out and forsake all for Jesus. It took some of those who are now among the best Christians several years to "beseech their hearts" ere they forsook all for Christ.

Anna S. Brodhead's class has a membership of twenty-seven full members and thirty-seven probationers, sixty-four in all. She writes that, with two or three exceptions, all of those who have been near enough, have attended class very regularly. The need which was felt for a deeper spiritual work led Brother and Sister Brodhead to start a special holiness meeting, which they expect to continue weekly. Sister Brodhead has held a woman's afternoon meeting weekly, nine months of the year.

J. P. Brodhead writes about the work as follows: "Nearly the whole year has been marked with some kind of a religious meeting, almost daily. God has given some really saved souls. A number have been taken into the growing class on probation, and others have been promoted to full membership. A number of the adults and infants have been baptized, and sacramental services have been held each quarter. The united labors of the white missionaries and native evangelists have helped to make the past year one of blessing and salvation. There has been a Sabbath-school forty-seven Sabbaths during the year, with an average attendance of ninety-five scholars and a good interest. W. C. Gray has acted as superintendent."

Sister Brodhead writes concerning the fruits of the prohibition law on their station, as follows: "The station law against beer drinks has sent us some good new members, and among them are two men with their wives, whom there is reason to expect will soon become valuable helpers as regular, God-called evangelists."

The new dwelling house at Fairview is nearly completed, and will probably cost about \$800, instead of \$750. The additional cost is owing to war prices. The new building for a chapel and school-house is well toward completion, size about 30x60 feet. The past three years the natives have given over \$200 toward its erection. This was given principally by our Christian natives. The past year they have given in collections ninety dollars.

Four out-stations have been regularly supplied with services, with an average attendance at each one of thirty-five persons. Our missionaries are hoping to start schools at these stations soon. The schools on the station have had a year of prosperity. The station school taught by Masala and his niece, has had an average attendance of forty scholars. The government grant for it was \$130.

Sister Allen's Home School for Girls, or School for Runaway Girls, has had an encouraging year with an enrollment of forty-three scholars, and an average attendance of between twenty and thirty. Many of these have earnestly sought the Lord during the year. During the last term all of them sought God, and many, it is believed, received pardon and forgiveness. Sister Allen has had some special trials with the fathers of some of these girls. One of them threatened to kill himself and his two girls if they did not go home with him, but they did not go, and he did not kill himself. Another father who lives twenty miles from the school, whose girl had come all that distance alone and on foot that she might go to school and be a Christian, sent word to her that she was as good as dead and buried to him, and she must never come near his kraal again.

#### THE STATION LAND AT FAIRVIEW

Not as satisfactory results have been realized from the cultivation of the land as we had expected. On this line of work expenses and income have about balanced. There are many drawbacks in farm work in Natal.

Last spring the secretary received communications from J. P. Brodhead and W. C.

Gray, which showed that from the time J. P. Brodhead took charge of the land until it was given in charge, principally, to W. C. Gray, income and expenses had about balanced, and the same had been true since then. Both of them wrote that they thought that to continue to work the land in the future as they had been doing in the past, *i. e.*, to raise the same products and cultivate the same amount of land, would give no better results. The other missionaries were of the same opinion. W. C. Gray wrote that he had consulted with an old sugar planter in regard to profit from raising sugar cane and he thought that the raising of cane would be the most profitable use that could be made of our land. This planter lives only a short distance from Fairview. When I was in Natal this was the leading industry along the coast.

W. C. Gray wrote that Mr. Aiken, the sugar planter before referred to, made the following statements: "Cane grown on the upland produces an average of one and one-half tons to the acre, every two years, as it takes two years to grow the crop. From one setting two or three crops are harvested. The sugar-mill gives the grower three-fifths of the net receipts. At one and one-half tons to the acre ten acres would yield fifteen tons. Three-fifths of this would be nine tons, which at \$3.75 per hundred pounds would be \$675 every two years, for four or six years." The cost of planting, cultivating, cutting, handling, etc., he did not give. W. C. Gray thinks there is no doubt but what after all expenses are deducted there will be a good profit for the mission. The sugar planter offered to give W. C. Gray cuttings for ten acres of cane if he would come and gather them. The estimate of the cost of preparing the land and planting ten acres is one hundred dollars. J. P. Brodhead and the other missionaries thought it would be best for W. C. Gray to prepare ten acres of land and write to your secretary for one hundred dollars to meet the expense of planting it to cane, and he did so. Your secretary consulted with the treasurer, and they sent on the amount. A recent letter from W. C. Gray states that he is planting the cane. It should be planted in the month of August or September. At the annual business meeting of the missionaries, held August 1, 1901, action was taken approving of W. C. Gray using the hundred dollars already sent for setting out ten acres of cane and, request was made that an additional hundred dollars be sent to meet the expense of putting out an additional ten acres the coming year. In a recent letter W. C. Gray writes: "If you allow me to retain any surplus that I can acquire from the proceeds of the farm, for a few years, and invest the same as it seems best, I think with the Lord's blessing in a few years I shall be able to furnish money enough to more than meet all the needs of Fairview Mission Station—all salaries, etc., and money besides. But I do not see how this can be done without some money to develop and enlarge the business."

#### AFRICA—ITEMBI AND EDWALENI

These are our two new mission stations, which are located about forty miles southwest of Fairview. Itembi is located near Ebenezer, and I suppose in the end will take the place of Ebenezer.

Instead of purchasing twenty-three hundred acres of land at these points as the board made provision for them to do at our last meeting, they have purchased five hundred for the station at Itembi and three hundred for the Edwaleni station, at a cost of about \$2.50 per acre. It is expected that the hut rents from the natives who live on the land will nearly or quite pay for it. A mission house is now being erected at Itembi and we hope to have one built at Edwaleni (meaning on the rock) soon. The government requires those who buy government land to commence to build on the land within six months from the time of purchase, and to put buildings on valued at \$1000. These must be completed within two years from the time of purchase.

Two schools have been carried on the past year under Lucy A. Hartman's supervision. Brother and Sister Agnew and Sister Hartman have been the principal laborers at these new places, but they have been assisted by the missionaries and native workers from Fairview. Brother Agnew writes of the work, as follows: "At our native chapel at Umzimkulwana we have had an average attendance of seventy-five natives, and at Ebenezer chapel an attendance of sixty. A kraal meeting has been held every Wednesday at Umfolosi,



a prayer-meeting every Thursday evening at Umzimkulwana, and a Friday morning prayer-meeting at Ebenezer, weekly. Services have been held at the chief's house, whose wife is one of the adherents, and we expect that she will soon be one of our members. The attendance at the meetings has been fair, and the most of those who have been converted have remained firm, although subjected to severe temptations. Several of those who have attended Sister Hartman's school have made good progress, and are now reading in the New Testament. Best of all they have begun to pray and serve the Lord." He says that they expect to drive the battle on at Itembi and Ebenezer the coming year as never before. The closing words of his letter are, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us and the prospects are bright ahead." All of our missionaries who have been at these places write encouragingly of the prospect. An ordained native preacher has been secured to help in the work. His name is Numba Myaose. He is a brother of Masala Myaose, our teacher at Fairview. Our missionaries speak very highly of him. A Macedonian cry comes to us for a man and wife for one of the new stations and a young lady to work with Lucy A. Hartman.

#### INDIA—YEOTMAL

The recent letters from our missionaries in India say that abundant rains have fallen and there is prospect of a bountiful harvest. This will be a wonderful blessing.

Our missionaries have taken about seventy more orphans the past year. There have been some losses by death and by relatives coming and taking them, so that we now have only ninety-two boys and eighty-two girls, one hundred and seventy in all. Relatives are liable to come and claim some of these, and the prospect is that some of the weak ones will die. In a second letter from Sister McMurry, she states that there are ten girls and twenty boys whose support is not provided for; however, I think that when the names of those who have recently pledged to support orphans arrive, there will be nearly enough pledges to support all of them. Some persons who are now supporting orphans, doubtless, will cease their support at the end of the year, and others will be needed to take their places. To meet the needs of these orphans on all lines—physical, intellectual and moral—means much. Our missionaries think that one of the most important, and perhaps the most important line of industrial work to teach the children is agriculture. India is emphatically a farming country. This is the principal dependence of her vast millions. As we trust that most, or all, of our orphans will become Christians and therefore will be considered outcasts by their own people, and this will put barriers in the way of their getting employment and earning livelihoods, therefore it is very important that they be so instructed on industrial lines that they will be best prepared for self-support, and to give something to the work of God. To meet the industrial needs of the five hundred thousand orphans, now in the hands of the missionaries of India, is a great problem. It is thought by many that one good way to do this is to buy or rent land and teach them how to cultivate the soil according to better methods than are generally practiced by the natives.

It is said that the prices of land are advancing fast, being about double what they were during the famine, and it is desirable to secure some as soon as possible. V. G. McMurry thinks it will be better to buy than to lease. To buy will cost more at first but will be cheaper in the end. He thinks that for so many orphans a thousand or more acres will be needed. He writes of one piece containing 1500 acres that can be had for \$3000. The largest piece of government land to be had in any one place is 800 acres. He has made application through a prominent government official for aid from the government toward securing the desired amount of land. The Alliance missionaries have recently bought a nice piece of land near Akola. I suppose it is for the use of their orphans.

I think by this time that Mr. and Mrs. Clarke are at Yeotmal. Good reports come to us from our missionaries whom we sent to India last January. Some extra services have been held at Yeotmal with encouraging results. A class has been organized, consisting of eight full members and forty-two probationers. I suppose that the probationers are the native workers and the orphan children.

All of the missionaries seem to be full of courage and hope for the work. They send a



very earnest and strong plea for a nurse to be sent to India, to help meet the physical needs of the orphans and of the missionaries. I think one should be sent as soon as possible.

## JAPAN—AWAJI

A year ago our board made an appropriation for Japan. It was to be sent to Rev. H. Lindstrom of the Alliance Mission, and by him to be paid out to our native workers and for the work, under the general direction of your secretary. Your directions have been followed. Rev. Mr. Lindstrom returned to America last May and left the oversight of his, and of our, work with a Rev. Mr. Bergstrom of the Swedish Alliance Mission. Excellent reports have been given of our work in Japan by the above mentioned brethren and by our native worker, Kawabe. Kawabe writes of the conversion of two sake (Japanese wine) sellers, and of the conversion of another man who has been in prison seven times. They have met with much persecution, and he asks us to pray for them "that they may be established and bear much fruit, and become shining lights in the midst of darkness." He closes his letter with these words: "Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run and be glorified even as also it is with you."

Sasao has left our work recently, but has not left the church. He felt that there was a Macedonian cry from Tokyo for him to go there and help a couple of holiness missionaries, who are training workers and who were in great need of help. So he went to teach in the Bible Training School for young men and women who are consecrated for gospel work. I judge that he has some special adaptation for that work and thought he could be more useful there than on the Island of Awaji. He delayed going for some time, and prayed and hoped that a good man would be secured to take his place at Shizuki, but at length he felt so pressed in spirit that he left, his wife remaining to look after the work until someone could be secured. About the time of his departure, a Japanese brother, by the name of Takashima, decided to come and take his place. Brothers Bergstrom and Kawabe speak very favorably of him and think that he has come in answer to prayer. Kawabe writes concerning Takashima as follows: "He had been laboring among the Baptists but got the experience of sanctification and many Baptist missionaries and native workers opposed him. He was the same faith with us." They seem to recognize that Sasao is being led by the hand of the Lord in going to Tokyo. In a letter which H. Lindstrom received from him he expressed his thankfulness for our prayers and for the temporal aid we have given him, and requests to have his membership remain with us. He hopes that we will understand the situation, and kindly allow him to go, and continue to love and pray for him.

Brother Kawabe has held on faithfully and perseveringly in the work and seems to be very anxious to have us continue it. He feels drawn as he believes by the Lord to go and labor at Osaka, which is the principal manufacturing city of Japan, and is quite near the Island of Awaji. He would like to have us send them help and enlarge the work by commencing labors at Osaka, and have the work continued on the Island of Awaji by native helpers. He would expect to have services every night at Osaka, and in this way could preach the gospel to many more people, in the same length of time, than he could on the Island of Awaji. The work would be similar to our city mission work. Brother Lindstrom approves of this plan and thinks it would be wise for us to provide for its execution.

If we should decide to give up the work in Japan, I think Kawabe would be willing to join the Alliance Mission. If there is a prospect of the needed funds and of acceptable candidates being secured, it is for you to decide in regard to the wisdom of continuing the work.

## CUBA AND PORTO RICO

At our last annual meeting the board took action approving of the secretary sending out Esther D. Clark and two other missionaries to Cuba and Porto Rico, if suitable persons could be secured. Because of a lack of funds, and preferring to leave the matter of accepting candidates with the board, the secretary has not sent any one to either of these islands. A man and his wife have offered themselves for the work, and the question of accepting them will come before you for your decision. I suppose that Esther D. Clark is anxiously waiting to go.

## GENERAL MISSIONS

Comparatively few of the recipients of appropriations from the General Mission Fund have sent reports of their work to the secretary. In one small conference where appropriations were made to the two district elders, the statistics of the conference show a net gain of over twenty-five per cent.

I think there should be more careful discrimination exercised in making these appropriations, so that they will go to those societies that are the most needy, and where they will be most helpful in enlarging the work. Our people should be taught that conferences are not to expect that just as much will be appropriated within each conference as each one raises for this fund, but the amount appropriated will be according to the nature and importance of their needs. I suppose this fund was intended especially to help the workers in the West and South-west, during the formative stages of the work. If conferences are to have all the money returned to them that they pay into the general fund, then the general society might easily be dispensed with, and each conference have its own society and appropriate its funds.

## CHURCH EXTENSION

I think its special object is to enlarge our work—extend it to the regions beyond—by assisting new churches and societies, and therefore the older parts of our work should not look for the same help from this fund as those parts where the work is new and in a formative state. As a rule, the prospect of receiving help from this fund should not be used as a special incentive to get a society to commence a church building, rather, it should be used to inspire their courage after faithful and persevering efforts have been put forth. To use this as an incentive at first, tends to lessen the society's sense of responsibility, and puts a barrier in the way of its securing all of the help possible in the section where the church is built. For a society and congregation to do its best in raising funds is to lay the foundation for its future success. Let all beware of lessening the sense of responsibility and privilege of persons, in this matter, in the immediate locality where churches are to be built.

## THE SECRETARY'S PERSONAL REPORT

The Lord's protecting and preserving care have been graciously manifested toward me during the past year, and his special help and blessing, within the past two months, on body and soul have been an additional encouragement, and an increasing cause for thanksgiving. I have labored in fourteen conferences in the interests of our foreign missions, and in several in special evangelistic services; have attended seven annual conferences, presided at one, and represented the publishing house at six; attended two camp-meetings and traveled 11,801 miles.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS

## NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MISSIONARIES.

Rev. J. P. Brodhead.....	Umzumbi, Natal, South Africa
Mrs. J. P. Brodhead.....	" " " "
Miss F. Grace Allen.....	" " " "
Mr. William C. Gray.....	" " " "
Mrs. Viletta H. Gray.....	" " " "
Rev. G. H. Agnew.....	Enqabeni, Alfred Co., Natal, South Africa
Mrs. Lillie Agnew.....	" " " "
Miss Lucy A. Hartman.....	" " " "
Rev. Valentine G. McMurry.....	Yeotmal, Province of Berar, India
Mrs. Celia McMurry.....	" " " "
Rev. J. T. Taylor.....	" " " "
Mrs. Margaret E. Taylor.....	" " " "
Miss Rose Cox.....	" " " "
Miss Effie L. Southworth.....	" " " "
Mr. M. C. Clarke.....	" " " "
Mrs. E. H. Clarke.....	" " " "

## A FEW OF OUR NATIVE WORKERS.

ev. Teikich Kawabe.....	Awaji, Fukuri, Japan
rs. Teikich Kawabe.....	" " "

Masala Myaose .....	Umzumbi, Natal, South Africa
Nqumba Myaose .....	Enqubeni, Alfred Co., Natal, South Africa

## APPROPRIATIONS

The following appropriations for foreign missions for 1901-1902, were made by the board at its annual meeting, October 15, 1901.

## JOHANNESBURG AND INHAMBANE—AFRICA

Salaries of G. H. Agnew and wife .....	\$ 500 00
Susie Agnew .....	25 00
Outfit and fare for one single missionary to Inhambane .....	400 00
His salary for a part of the year .....	150 00
G. H. Agnew's fare to and from Inhambane .....	75 00
Iron roofs for two native evangelists' houses, near Inhambane .....	60 00
Emergency Fund .....	100 00
For Native Evangelists .....	350 00
Total .....	\$1660 00

## FAIRVIEW—AFRICA

Salaries of five missionaries .....	\$1250 00
Appropriation for four children .....	100 00
Wages for two Coolies .....	160 00
Masala's salary .....	210 00
Emergency Fund .....	150 00
Assistant school teacher's salary for the station school .....	50 00
Stephens and Martha's salaries (if not supplied from other sources) .....	210 00
For floors in Girls' Home .....	50 00
Extra for station for planting sugar cane for the coming year .....	100 00
For the purchase of two cows .....	125 00
Two payments on land .....	295 00
	\$2700 00
Less school grant and hut rents .....	465 00
Total .....	\$2235 00

## ITEMBI AND EBENEZER—AFRICA

Salary for one missionary .....	\$ 250 00
Wages for one native teacher .....	50 00
Native Evangelist's wages .....	120 00
Rent for Ebenezer Mission Station .....	60 00
To complete payment for house .....	500 00
For improvements at Itembi .....	50 00
Emergency Fund .....	50 00
For a young woman to be sent out .....	40 00
For the second payment on Itembi Mission Station land .....	62 00
	\$1542 00
Less hut rents .....	32 00
Total .....	\$1510 00

## EDWALENI—AFRICA

Expenses for sending man and wife, and outfits .....	\$ 750 00
Their salaries for five months .....	210 00
Salary for five months .....	180 00
For second payment on land .....	45 00
Emergency Fund .....	50 00
Improvements, including house .....	100 00
	\$1335 00
Less hut rents .....	25 00
Total .....	\$1310 00
Total for Africa .....	\$6715 00

## YEOTMAL, INDIA.

Salaries of eight missionaries.....	\$2000 00
For two children .....	50 00
For an incidental fund.....	200 00
To purchase a pair of bullocks and tonga for the work.....	150 00
Fare and outfit for one missionary to India.....	450 00
To furnish the new bungalow and other necessary furnishings for the new missionaries .....	100 00
For a plow.....	10 00
For a safe.....	100 00
Total for India.....	\$3060 00

## JAPAN.

Fares of two missionaries and children to Japan.....	\$ 400 00
Their outfits.....	150 00
For three months' salaries, etc.....	200 00
For rent of house at Osaka.....	60 00
Rent for a room at Osaka for mission purposes and for a dwelling house.....	30 00
Kawabe's salary.....	150 00
For the work and workers at Awaji.....	350 00
Total for Japan.....	\$1340 00

To be appropriated by the officers of the board on any field, if special needs require...\$300 00

Total for this.....\$300 00

## OTHER EXPENSES

Salary of secretary.....	\$ 520 00
For office and traveling expenses.....	350 00
For publishing the proceedings.....	32 00
Contingent expenses.....	230 00

Total for these expenses.....\$1132 00

Grand Total.....\$12547 00

B. WINGET, Secretary.

## GENERAL MISSIONARY BOARD

(Incorporated June 19, 1895)

1. Corporate name—"The General Missionary Board of the Free Methodist Church of North America."

2. Object—"To collect, receive, hold, expend, pay out and dispose of any property, real or personal, or of whatsoever nature, and wherever situated, as allowed by law that may be given, obtained, or held in aid of the general missionary work of the Free Methodist church, either on the home or foreign field."

The Master's great "Commission" calls for more laborers. Who will help the board to send them forth?

## FORMS OF REQUEST

REQUEST FOR MISSIONS.—"I give and bequeath to the General Missionary Board of the Free Methodist Church of North America, incorporated under the general law of the State of Illinois, the sum of [here state the amount]; and the receipt of the treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same."

If it be a devise of land the following form should be observed: "I give and devise [here give the title of the board as above] the following lands and premises: that is to say [brief description here], to have and to hold the same, with the appurtenances, to the said board, its successors and assigns forever."

Requests to the Church Extension Board the same as the foregoing except the name of the board.

## THE BETTER WAY

A better way to aid these general benevolences of the church, if possible, is to make your gifts while you live, according to the following form. We have had several lawsuits to secure bequests and have failed of getting six or eight thousand dollars which was willed to the missionary board.

# General Missionary Board of the Free Methodist Church of North America

14-16 North May Street, Chicago, Ill.

I.....of.....  
hereby donate and deliver upon the conditions named herein.....  
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to the General Missionary Board of the Free Methodist Church of North America, for the purposes and objects for which said corporation was incorporated.

In consideration of such donation the General Missionary Board of the Free Methodist Church of North America agrees to pay said.....  
during.....life interest annually at.....per cent. on  
said principal sum. In case of sickness or disability, by giving three months' notice, said Board agrees to pay, at any one time, an amount not exceeding.....  
.....of said principal sum of.....  
to supply the special needs of.....and give  
.....a proper support and maintenance. Additional demands may  
be made by said.....for payments from the principal to meet.....special needs, but such calls shall not be  
oftener than once in three months.

All of the principal and interest of the beforementioned donation remaining in the hands of said Board at the time of my death, shall be absolutely in the hands of the Board, to be used as it may judge best for Missionary purposes, no reversion of principal or interest to my heirs after my decease.

In witness whereof the parties have hereunto set their hands and seal this.....  
day of.....19.....

Signed and delivered in the presence of

.....(SEAL.)

.....(SEAL.)

.....(SEAL.)

For further information address the treasurer or secretary, Chicago, Illinois, 14 North May Street.

## TREASURER'S REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

From October 1, 1900 to October 1, 1901.

To amount on hand October 1, 1900.....	\$ 934 03	
To amount received from circuits, etc.....	3054 59	
To amount from W. F. M. S. ....	8446 55	\$12435 17
Total received for India orphans.....	2251 81	
Total received for Africa orphans.....	74 70	2326 51
Grand total.....		\$14761 68

Amount received during the year.....\$13827 65

## DISBURSEMENTS

## INDIA

Amount sent to Yeotmal for India orphans.....	\$ 2251 81
Amount paid for "J. T. Taylor Band" (J. T. Taylor, wife and child, Misses Southworth and Cox' outfit, traveling expenses in America, ocean passage, etc.).....	1460 90
Amount sent to V. G. McMurry.....	1217 08
Amount for goods ordered.....	85 96
Amount paid to Miss Southworth.....	55 40
Amount paid to Miss Cox.....	114 06
Amount paid to M. C. Clarke and wife for expenses and to apply on salary.....	874 30

## JAPAN

Amount sent to Japan.....	500 00
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## AFRICA

Amount sent to G. H. Agnew.....	878 75
Amount sent to J. P. Brodhead.....	3103 36
Amount sent to Grace Allen.....	28 37
Amount paid on annual bond payments, Fairview, including agent's f-es.....	323 83
Amount paid for school and church furniture, Africa, including freight, etc.....	347 39
Amount paid on building, Ebenezer.....	125 00
Amount paid Emma Appling.....	27 50
Amount paid Mrs. Haviland.....	37 50
Amount paid H. L. Crockett.....	207 80
Amount paid Mattie Miller.....	56 04
Amount paid native workers (this amount sent for his purpose).....	150 00
Amount paid for freight on H. L. Crockett's goods.....	37 09
Amount sent for Africa orphan fund.....	70 20
Amount paid Mrs. Haviland.....	500 00

## EXPENSES

Amount paid B. Winget, salary.....	380 00
Amount of expense account, including traveling expenses of secretary, E. Appling and H. L. Crockett, expense of annual meeting, printing, postage, express charges on goods sent for mission boxes, etc.....	780 62

Total.....\$13612 96

Amount on hand October 1, 1901.....1148 72

Grand total.....\$14761 68

## HAWAII FUND

Amount on hand October 1, 1900.....	\$1594 04
Amount received during the year.....	324 34
Amount returned to donors.....	292 00

Total.....\$1918 38

Amount on hand October 1, 1901.....1626 38

Total.....\$1918 38

## GENERAL MISSIONS

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATIONS WERE MADE FOR 1901-1902 AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MISSIONARY BOARD, OCTOBER 15, 1901.

Conferences.	Amount.
ARKANSAS AND SOUTHERN MISSOURI.—To the district elder of Fairplay, Virginia, and Carthage districts, \$60; district elder of West Plains and Harrison districts, \$120. Total.....	\$180 00
CALIFORNIA.—To Oakdale (C. H. Loomis, pastor), \$20; Chico (C. V. Carpenter, pastor), \$40; Santa Rosa mission, \$20. Total.....	80 00
CENTRAL ILLINOIS.—To Athens and Kilbourne circuit, \$25; Webster and Pleasant Grove circuit, \$25. Total.....	50 00
COLORADO.—To the district elder of the Southern district, \$40; each of the district elders (to be used on their work where most needed), \$40 (\$80) for the work at Salt Lake City \$72. Total.....	192 00
COLUMBIA RIVER.—To the pastor at Spokane, \$50; the pastor at Clark's Fork, \$25	75 00
EAST MICHIGAN.—To Arthur E. Warren, West Side, 603 North Oakley street, \$36; Rev. R. R. Haight, Bay City, Michigan, 706 Lafayette Ave., \$36. Total....	72 00



IOWA.—For the work at Des Moines, Iowa (Rev. J. Q. Murray, pastor), \$60. Total	60 00
KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE.—To the district elder of the Tennessee district, \$75; pastor of Beech Grove circuit, \$20. Total	95 00
LOUISIANA.—	50 00
MICHIGAN.—To Athens, Union City, and Battle Creek circuit, \$50. Total	50 00
MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN IOWA.—To each of the two district elders, \$50. Total	100 00
NORTH DAKOTA.—To Jamestown, \$25; Fargo, \$35. Total	50 00
NORTH INDIANA.—To the two district elders (\$25 each) \$50; Union City charge, \$30. Total	80 00
NORTH MINNESOTA.—To the district elder, \$36. Total	36 00
OHIO.—To the Toledo charge, \$50. Total	50 00
OIL CITY.—To Kane and Johnsonburg, \$20; Lewis Run circuit, \$20; Pleasantville, \$25; Rouseville, \$40. Total	105 00
OKLAHOMA.—To each of the district elders, \$5 a month. Total	120 00
OREGON.—To the Eugene and Grant's Pass districts (each \$20), to be sent to Rev. W. E. Goode, Roseburg, Oregon, \$40; East Portland, to be sent to Rev. H. V. Haslam, 333 E. Ninth St., Portland, Oregon, \$20; Mill Creek, to be sent to Rev. T. H. Symms, \$15. Total	75 00
PITTSBURG.—For opening work in East End, Pittsburg, and Allegheny (used by Revs. J. Barnhart and A. D. Zahniser), \$150; the elder of the West Virginia district, \$30; the preacher in charge on the Samaria and Mt. Sharon circuit, West Virginia, \$30	210 00
PLATTE RIVER.—To the district elder of Orleans, Cambridge and North Platte districts, \$30; Wellfleet, Pleasant Hill and Maywood circuit, \$10; Indianola and Curtis circuit, \$10; Bloomington and Pleasant View circuit, \$10; St. Paul and Concrete circuit, \$10; Fairfield, Hastings and Schickley circuit, \$10; Ravenna and Gibbon Court, \$10; Albion and Independence circuit, \$10. Total	100 00
SOUTH DAKOTA.—To Sioux Falls circuit, \$20; Mitchell, \$20; each of the two district elders, \$25 (\$50). Total	90 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.—To the San Marcial Mission, New Mexico, \$35; the district elder of the Arizona and New Mexico districts, Rev. D. G. Shepard, \$75; Prescott, Arizona, \$36; Globe and Livingston circuit, \$20; Monte Vista and Toluca circuit, \$15. Total	181 00
TEXAS.—	50 00
WABASH.—To Frankfort charge, \$25; Fort Branch charge, \$35; Arcola and Camargo circuit, \$40. Total	100 00
WASHINGTON.—To Mt. Vernon circuit, \$50; to Arlington circuit, \$15. Total	65 00
WEST IOWA.—To the district elder, to give to the pastor of the Council Bluffs circuit, \$35; the pastor of the Gordon Grove charge, \$35. Total	70 00
WEST ONTARIO.—To Rev. W. H. Wilson, district elder of Manitoba and Northwest district, \$100; each of the district elders, \$25 (one on the Brantford and Hamilton district and the other on the Sarnia and Tilsonburg district), \$50.	150 00
WEST KANSAS.—To the district elders of the Macksville and Cleo districts (each \$50), \$100; Great Bend circuit, \$10; Pratt and Nashville circuit, \$10; Cuba circuit (severe drought, no crop), \$20; Logan circuit (severe drought, no crop), \$20; Logan circuit, \$10; Hays City circuit, \$50. Total	170 00
WISCONSIN.—To York Center circuit, E. J. Thwing, pastor, his address Augusta, Wis., \$15; Boscobel circuit, \$30; Albany circuit, \$50. Total	95 00
Secretary's salary, etc.	180 00
W. G. Hanmer's salary as General Conference Evangelist	700 00
Incidental expenses	220 00

Total appropriations..... \$3911 00

B. WINGET, Secretary.

## TREASURER'S REPORT ON GENERAL MISSIONS

RECEIPTS, OCTOBER 1, 1900, TO OCTOBER 1, 1901

CONFERENCE	Apportionment	Paid	Deficit	Surplus
Arkansas and Southern Missouri.....	\$ 33 15	\$ 24 60	\$ 8 55	.....
California.....	39 60	39 60	.....	.....
Central Illinois.....	210 30	210 30	.....	.....
Colorado.....	46 35	46 35	.....	.....
Columbia River.....	27 15	27 15	.....	.....
East Michigan.....	243 30	238 02	5 28	.....
East Ontario.....	89 70	90 04	.....	34
Genesee.....	229 80	229 80	.....	.....
Illinois.....	151 50	144 37	7 13	.....
Iowa.....	123 15	123 15	.....	.....
Kansas.....	122 10	87 03	35 07	.....
Kentucky and Tennessee.....	31 95	17 36	14 59	.....
Louisiana.....	20 25	20 25	.....	.....
Michigan.....	133 05	133 05	.....	.....
Minnesota and Northern Iowa.....	54 90	54 90	.....	.....
Missouri.....	46 65	32 11	14 54	.....
Nebraska.....	58 65	59 68	.....	1 03
New York.....	155 10	155 10	.....	.....
North Dakota.....	20 25	20 25	.....	.....
North Indiana.....	42 90	42 90	.....	.....
North Michigan.....	236 40	217 44	18 96	.....
North Minnesota.....	43 65	43 85	.....	21
Ohio.....	123 30	93 27	30 03	.....
Oil City.....	232 05	232 05	.....	.....
Oklahoma.....	30 15	38 65	.....	8 50
Oregon.....	52 05	52 05	.....	.....
Platte River.....	72 00	69 75	2 25	.....
Pittsburg.....	165 00	163 35	1 65	.....
Southern California.....	47 40	44 18	3 22	.....
South Dakota.....	65 10	66 10	.....	1 00
Susquehanna.....	208 80	171 78	37 02	.....
Texas.....	72 45	72 45	.....	.....
Wabash.....	120 45	114 78	5 67	.....
Washington.....	45 90	45 90	.....	.....
West Iowa.....	100 95	100 95	.....	.....
West Kansas.....	90 00	90 20	.....	20
West Ontario.....	78 30	78 30	.....	.....
Wisconsin.....	121 05	121 05	.....	.....
Total.....	\$3784 80	\$3612 12	\$183 96	\$11 28



## ADDRESSES OF OFFICERS OF CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

- CALIFORNIA.—Mrs. Mary Griffith, president, 1116 Park avenue, Alameda, California; Mrs. Carrie Carpenter, secretary; Mrs. Ina Baird, treasurer.
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WEST ONTARIO.—Mrs. Mary Clink, president; Mrs. Josie R. Wees, corresponding and recording secretary, Walsingham Centre, Ontario; Mrs. Hanna Eagle, treasurer.

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WEST KANSAS.—Hattie Kessel, president, St. John, Kansas; Anna G. Hill, corresponding secretary, Gregory, Kansas; Lizzie Orr, recording secretary, Bucklin, Kansas; Sarah Srader, treasurer, Lebanon, Kansas.

# STATISTICAL REPORT OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

From October 1, 1900, to October 1, 1901

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES	Date of Organization	District Societies	Local Societies	Active Members	Honorary Members	Junior Societies	Junior Members	Copies of Missionary Tidings Taken.
California	1895	2	7	115	29	2	25	98
Central Illinois	1896	1	9	135	20	1	35	25
Colorado	1896	1	8	80	35		13	13
*Columbia River	1890	2	3	61	22		24	37
East Ontario	1896							
*East Michigan	1896	4	5	125	15		35	248
Genesee	1894	5	25	336	74	1	8	25
Illinois	1895	4	21	353	32		9	110
*Iowa	1894	3	10	60	10			
*Kansas	1892	2	10	115				
Michigan	1892	4	4	97	33	1	10	11
Minnesota and N. Iowa								
Missouri								
Nebraska								
New York			3	98	18	1	20	25
North Dakota								
North Minnesota		2	5	51	19	3	33	
*North Michigan	1892		8	28				
*Ohio	1892	2	8	88	28	3	67	159
Oregon	1896		7	200				
Oil City	1899	5	45	457	194	5	187	125
Oklahoma		3	3	50	27		12	
Platte River	1896							
Pittsburg	1892	4	30	425	165	2	91	223
*Southern California	1899		63	10	2			15
South Dakota	1892	4	10	124	53		70	46
Susquehanna	1894	7	19	213	40	2	12	74
*Texas	1898	1	2	12	12			
*West Iowa	1895	2	5					
Wabash	1896	2	3	75	20			
Washington	1896	1	13	148	72		30	
West Ontario	1896	4	19	287	198	1	8	
West Kansas	1896	4	13	205	114			99
Wisconsin	1891	6	18	261	62	2	40	152
Total		71	306	4078	869	26	662	1483

\*Last year's report.



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From October 1, 1900, to October 1, 1901.

## ARKANSAS AND SOUTHERN MISSOURI

—\$8.97

Mrs. L. H. Higgins.....	\$ 2 47
Mrs. N. M. Hewitt.....	5 50
Mrs. C. L. Hewitt.....	1 00

## CALIFORNIA—\$157.50

Mrs. M. E. Merchant.....	\$ 14 00
Mrs. P. F. Vanderpool.....	22 00
Mrs. Ina M. Baird.....	121 50

## CENTRAL ILLINOIS—\$166.90

Mrs. Lou E. Fleming.....	\$ 58 75
Mrs. J. Blackmore.....	1 00
Juniors, Greenville, Illinois.....	15 00
Mrs. Etta Kelley.....	92 15

## COLORADO—\$341.07

Mary L. Corbin.....	\$ 249 16
Mrs. G. S. Warren.....	10 00
Mrs. Hattie Latham.....	7 34
Jennie L. Sampson.....	5 73
Hattie Handysides.....	57 34
Lawrence Johnson.....	5 00
F. M. S. S., Denver, Colorado.....	1 00
Mrs. Kate Ralya.....	2 00
Rev. B. Winget.....	3 50

## COLUMBIA RIVER—\$59.13

Mary Achilles.....	\$ 40 75
Mrs. M. T. Mortimer.....	5 00
H. Luella Betts.....	13 38

## EAST ONTARIO—\$180.31

Mrs. R. Burnham.....	\$ 66 25
Mrs. Eva Bradley.....	114 06

## EAST MICHIGAN—\$171.13

Eugenie Parrish.....	\$ 119 82
Sadie Hallead.....	23 31
Mrs. J. L. Price.....	21 00
Mrs. Susan Ribble.....	7 00

## GENESEE—\$784.15

E. H. Haviland.....	\$ 5 00
H. L. Crockett.....	27 00
Mrs. R. A. Best.....	752 15

## ILLINOIS—\$866.72

Mrs. Alice P. Woertendyke.....	\$ 796 11
Mrs. P. Kiltz.....	9 00
Austin Cowdy Meyers.....	5 00
Mrs. J. W. Pike.....	8 95
Rev. B. D. Fay.....	9 55
Rev. A. L. Whitcomb.....	19 36
Pleasant Valley Society.....	6 00
Mrs. B. C. Beezley.....	12 75

## IOWA—119.65

Mrs. L. Mendenhall.....	\$ 32 00
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## IOWA—Continued

Mrs. Charles Kimball.....	27 14
Mrs. J. Burkey.....	5 05
Mrs. Myrtle H. Fish.....	7 33
Martha A. Berkey.....	11 13
Mrs. W. E. DeHarpport.....	15 00
C. W. Carnes.....	5 00
Handa Trimble.....	17 00

## KANSAS—\$173.40

Mrs. M. A. Hubbard.....	\$ 11 55
Mrs. Cora Hawkins.....	136 24
Gertrude Warner.....	20 61
Mrs. Grace Bon Durant.....	5 00

## MICHIGAN—\$244.05

Katie C. Martin.....	\$ 216 50
Mrs. E. Piper.....	26 75
Mrs. B. R. Jones.....	80

MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN IOWA—  
\$13.25

H. O. Radford.....	\$ 3 25
Mrs. Lillian Wheeler.....	10 00

## NEBRASKA—\$81.22

Mrs. M. E. Whittaker.....	\$ 81 22
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## NEW YORK—\$137.31

Minnie Leibrock.....	\$ 11 00
Miss Alice Schantz.....	34 60
Sylva B. Logan.....	31 51
Miss Clara Jensen.....	10 00
Nellie Myer.....	3 00
Mrs. Mary Demund.....	30 00
L. E. Barriger.....	2 20
Mary A. Backenstoe.....	15 00

## NORTH DAKOTA—\$32.58

Mary Mann.....	\$ 32 58
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## NORTH INDIANA—\$57.00

S. J. K. C.....	\$ 26 98
W. T. Loring.....	6 00
Mrs. Kate Grant.....	13 07
Mrs. L. N. Cottrell.....	10 95

## NORTH MICHIGAN—\$54.80

Emma J. Sharpe.....	\$ 6 15
Mrs. J. J. Hall.....	1 50
Mrs. Myrtie Francisco.....	39 00
Mrs. Susan Ribble.....	8 15

## NORTH MINNESOTA—\$71.90

Mrs. D. C. Newell.....	\$ 5 55
Lizzie Newell.....	32 69
Mrs. S. M. Pike.....	33 66

## OHIO—\$470.74

Mrs. J. W. Headley.....	\$ 355 76
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